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AEA-Board Begin Joust Over Contract Teachers Following "Work To Rule" Policy In School System

The Agawam Education Association (AEA) began a work-to-rule action Monday morning, December 1st, to protest stalled contract talks. The AEA's decision follows November 24th's unsuccessful mediation session at Agawam Junior High School.

Agawam teachers, working without a contract since August 31st, have been negotiating with the School Committee for more than eight months. On October 28th, AEA members overwhelmingly rejected a proposal brought before them because, according to AEA President Gail Dion, "it did not adequately address our professional needs."

Mrs. Dion explained that the work-to-rule action would involve teachers entering and leaving their schools together at the required times, "not a minute sooner or later." Teachers have performed the mass entrances and exits every day this week, and then every Monday thereafter, "until the crisis is resolved or a new action is initiated," she said.

Mrs. Dion called the action "a display of teacher unity which will disrupt neither the regular school day nor any extracurricular activities."

"We have reached the point where we feel compelled to demonstrate our distress," she said. "We hope to be able to make our point without escalating our activities."

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School Committee Say Check-In Legal; AEA Wants Too Much

In response to the recent statements issued by the Agawam Education Association concerning the stalled contract negotiations between the School Committee and the teachers' union, School Committee chairwoman Jessie Fuller today issued the following statement on behalf of the committee.

"In order to clarify the issues regarding the current negotiations and in order that the teachers, residents, and taxpayers in Agawam will clearly understand the School Committee's position, we feel it important that the following issues and facts be presented.

"The School Committee is seeking additional teacher time with pupils so that better education can be accomplished in the Agawam schools. No educator, to our knowledge, advocates less teacher-time with pupils in order to provide better education.

"The school day in the Agawam schools, especially in the secondary schools, is one of the shortest work days in Western Massachusetts.

"In response to a request for added time with the pupils, the teachers' union has taken a position that the request for added time must be paid for and that the added time is worth a 4 percent increase in wages. The teachers' union has stated that this 4 percent must be added to a regular wage increase of 6 percent - this equals a 10 percent increase in wages in the year in which the added time is given.

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FLAG SECTION MEMBER Debbie Garrity of the Agawam High Marching Mohawks stands at attention. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Mohawks Win State/N.E. Parade Titles

The Agawam High Marching Mohawks retained the State and New England Parade Championship at the Annual Quincy Christmas Parade, Sunday, November 30th.

This marks the second consecutive year the Mohawks have received this honor, winning last year in Division II (AA), and this year being moved up to Division III (AAA).

The Quincy Christmas Parade has been designated as the Parade Championship event for both Massachusetts and New England by the New England Scholastic Band Association and the Massachusetts Band Judges Association.

This year, over 250,000 people watched 24 high school bands compete over a three mile route on a clear, blustery day with a bitter wind chill factor.

In all, six first place trophies were brought home by the Agawam High students, including first place overall score for combined overall band in both Massachusetts and New England, led by Drum Majors Teresa Martone and David Ziegert; two first place awards for Best Color Guard in both the State and New England were awarded to the Mohawk girls, led by Captains Denise Coelln, Claudine Bouchard, Marie Tourville, and Karen Twarog.

Color Guard instructor for the group in recent years has been AHS graduate Elizabeth Sosnowitch, and this year, former captain Debbie Twarog has also assisted with the Rifle Line.

Two first place awards were also won by Agawam High's featured baton twirlers as the best majorette group for both the State and New England Divisions. Members Linda Burnett, Krystie Wage, and Allison Manning have been outstanding in both their parade and field show routines all during the fall season.

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LET THE DRUMS DRUM: Agawam High School Marching Mohawks, from left - Michele Ciborowski, Craig Leper, Brett Graveline, Shawn Ciborowski, and David Giordano in performance at a Harmon Smith Field earlier in the fall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Contract talks are stalled over several issues: the School Committee's attempt to extend the school day by 15 minutes, starting in 1988-89; salaries; and inequities with sick leave and non-teaching duties, according to Mrs. Dion.

Mrs. Dion pointed out that the proposed 15-minute extension would increase teachers' work time by four percent.

"In effect, this would eat-up two-thirds of the salary increase being offered by the School Committee in the third year of the proposed contract," she said. "Instead of the offered percentage of 6½ percent during the third year, the time increase would turn the figure into an actual salary raise of 2½ percent."

Mrs. Dion also noted that the time extension would serve no educational purpose.

"At the high school, junior high, and middle school, plans are to spread the extra time across the school day, adding about two minutes to each period. This is certainly not enough time to have any real educational significance," she said.

Mrs. Dion also warned that the time extension would force some elementary students to travel home in the dark, "a situation clearly not in the best safety interests of the children."

As for salaries, Mrs. Dion said, "The AEA wants fair salaries that will keep Agawam competitive with school districts in the region." She cited recent studies which predict a looming teacher shortage of major proportions.

"With this in mind," Mrs. Dion said, "consider that while the state, since 1985, has advocated minimum teacher salaries of \$18,000, the School Committee's current offer leaves Agawam teachers with minimum salaries below \$18,000 through 1988-89."

About the sick leave and non-teaching duties inequities, Mrs. Dion said, "Simply stated, some teachers receive 15 days of sick leave while others receive 12 days; some teachers are assigned up to five hours of non-teaching duties per week, while others are assigned 20 minutes per week.

"Basic fairness calls for a more equal distribution of duties and benefits," Dion said.

The Agawam schools, their addresses, and opening and closing times are as follows: high school, 760 Cooper, 7:25 a.m. to 1:55 p.m.; middle school, 68 Main, 8:25 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.; junior high, 1305 Springfield, 7:55 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.; Clark elementary, 65 Oxford, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Phelps, 689 Main, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Robinson, 65 Begley, 7:55 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.; and Granger, 31 South Westfield, 8:25 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.

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"A 10 percent wage increase would result in an average dollar increase, per teacher, of \$2,300 in one year of the contract. The School Committee has offered a three-year contract with increases of 6, 6, and 5 percent, with the added time to start in the third year of the contract.

Check-In/Check-Out System

"The teachers' union has raised, as part of its complaint with the School Committee, the issue of the "check-in/check-out" system. This system was not and is not part of the bargaining-over wages. The teachers' union was notified by the School Committee before the opening of school in September that a system of accountability for arrival and leaving work was necessary, and that it would be started with the opening of school.

"The School Committee bargained the impact of the system and the parties agreed on the impact. In fact, the system was placed in effect and was used successfully for 10 weeks, after which the teachers' union voted to stop the system and all teachers complied.

"The school administration has a right to know whether or not a teacher is in the building at the beginning of school. One basic reason, among others, is the issue of pupil safety; pupils may be left unsupervised in a classroom if a teacher has not reported to work because of illness or accident.

Exposure To Liability

"The teacher, administration, and School Committee may have exposure to liability because of this situation. In addition, it is necessary to know when teachers arrive and leave to be sure that the full work day is being accomplished.

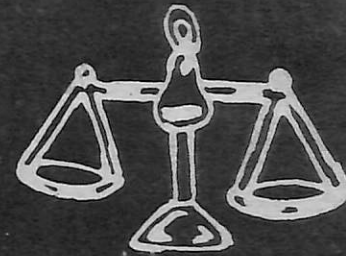
"Accountability has long been recognized in this regard in the work place. It should be noted that the teachers' union, during impact bargaining, agreed with the School Committee position on this issue and had requested that the system be implemented uniformly, in all schools, and that a written memorandum outlining the procedure and penalties be issued. All this was done by the School Committee.

"The School Committee is hopeful that the continuing negotiations will result in an early contract with the teachers' union," concluded Mrs. Fuller.

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Caba Objection May Hold 13-2 Passage Of Police Positions

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Political Editor

The Agawam Town Council Monday night overwhelmingly adopted a new ordinance to create a captain and a lieutenant position for the Agawam Police Department by a 13-2 vote apparently ending a six-month battle over the issue.

However, despite the fact that three-fourths of the council favors Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski's call for giving him a chain of command in the department, a charter objection from Councilor At-Large Edward A. Caba has placed a question mark on the matter.

Caba charter objected the ordinance (a parliamentary move that will halt a vote on an item until the next meeting) before it was completely read before the council.

Council President Andrew C. Gallano told Caba it was too early to object to the ordinance proposal, and further explained that the ordinance first had to be read to the council. Gallano then gave Caba the opportunity to charter object at what he (Gallano) deemed as the proper time. Caba did, and Gallano upheld the move.

Councilor Donald Rheault then challenged Gallano's ruling, calling Caba's action "dillatory." Rheault explained, "Charter objections are generally used when a councilor wants to gather additional information about something before having to vote on the issue."

"This proposal has been before the council for six months. How much more information could be needed," Rheault said.

Councilor Anthony Saracino added, "Caba keeps asking for information, but he can't find anything that has been done wrong. He keeps trying to, however."

A vote was taken on Rheault's challenge to Gallano's ruling, and 10 councilors or two-thirds, supported Rheault. "It was my opinion that the chairman's ruling was wrong and most of the council believed what I said," according to Rheault.

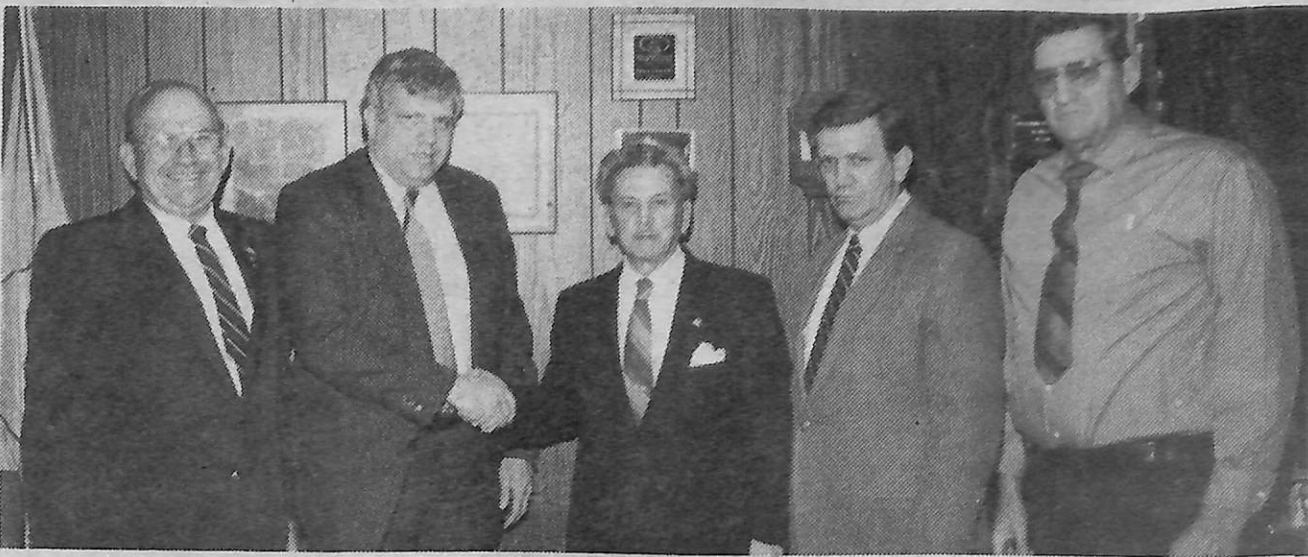
Gallano has asked Town Solicitor Ralph Atkins for a ruling on his decision to support Caba's charter objection.

Rheault said he believes Caba's charter objection is dillatory because, according to the "Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Procedure," the system the council operates under, "No member of the council shall take any action to disrupt or stall town business."

Rheault explained, "It again becomes opinion, but two-thirds of the council voted against allowing the charter objection because we believed that Caba was just trying to use his objection to stall an issue he doesn't want passed. This is simply hampering the smooth operation of the town."

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Town Officials Thank Zeller For Peirce Safe



RETIRE FUR STORE OWNER Phillip Zeller recently presented the Town of Agawam, through the efforts of his good friend and fellow Melha Shriner, Town Councilor David Skolnick, a huge safe valued at over \$30,000 for the new police station in the former Peirce School. On hand to thank Zeller were, from left - Skolnick, Town Manager Reid S. Charles, Zeller, Town Councilor Anthony Saracino, and Police Sergeant Henry Earle. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Borgatti, Saracino Blast Caba For Comments Calling Peirce Renovations "A Disgrace"

by Dale Fiske
Advertiser News Political Editor

Following the 11-4 vote by the Agawam Town Council to hike the pay of Town Manager Reid S. Charles to \$52,000, effective January 1st, Town Councilors Edward G. Borgatti and Anthony Saracino, both members of the committee charged with renovating the former Peirce Elementary School into a new police station, scored Councilor Edward A. Caba for his comments concerning the renovation process.

Caba, a former town manager who was fired over two years ago from the position, said one of the reasons he dissented on Charles' pay hike was over the Peirce School issue.

Caba said Charles' handling of the Peirce School renovation prompted his vote of dissent, calling the issue "a disgrace." According to Caba, the community cannot afford the approximate \$700,000 price to renovate the former elementary school into a new police station and town emergency center.

During his tenure as town manager, Caba had proposed building a new town complex, which would include a police and fire station. Saracino said one of the reasons the former council fired Caba was over his handling of that situation, which included "signing a secret contract with a local architect about the project and never tell anyone about it, including the council. Caba didn't even file the contract with the Town

Clerk's office. It was merely put away someplace," Saracino said.

He added, "Caba is trying to justify his stupidity. He is still trying to promote the project he wanted when he was town manager. He signed a secret contract, and has been nothing but a road block to the Peirce School project. In fact, his presence on the council can only be viewed as a negative one. His only interest in this matter is to get even."

Borgatti called Caba's agreement with the architect when he was town manager as an "illegal deal. I think the whole thing centers on the fact that Councilor Caba is just upset because he didn't get his 'Taj Mahal' (town complex). He started his secret and illegal deal when he was town manager."

"In fact, you can call Councilor Caba's interest in this as vindictive. He has never done or said a constructive thing for the town or for this council as a whole."

Both Borgatti and Saracino said the majority of the council feels that the renovation of Peirce School is the most cost-effective alternative for the town.

"The plan for the Peirce Building is the best alternative we have and the least expensive for the town for a new and badly needed police station," said Borgatti.

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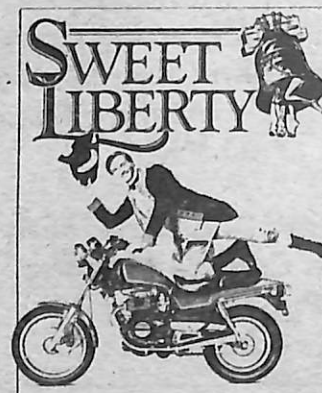
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Added Saracino, "We could build a new school, renovate several others, and build a new police station, too, with the money Caba wants to spend on the commitment he made on the town complex when he was manager."

Caba could not be reached for comment.

Concerning Charles' pay raise, the consensus of the council was that the manager's position should be more in line with that of the superintendent of schools (\$53,000). This is the second pay raise Charles has received from the council this year.

Those who voted against the raise were Councilors John Shaughnessy, Alfred Trehey, Philip DeForge, and Caba.

The AAN made two calls to Charles concerning the Peirce issues, as well as his goals for the town in 1987, but both were not returned.

Board of Realtors Helps With Charities

The Greater Springfield Board of Realtors recently raised \$4,588.75 for the homeless and needy in the Greater Springfield area. A Harvest Fair/Tag Sale, organized by the Public Relations Committee in October, raised \$2,493.75. The remaining \$2,095 came from individual realtor donations.

This donation was the first of its kind for the realtors and greatly pleased the local shelter directors. The three shelters are the Prospect House (a shelter for homeless families and individuals); Arch Project (The Battered Women's Shelter); and the Jefferson Street Women's Shelter.

"Seventy-three realtors and their families were present on Harvest Fair Day to sell food and tag sale items," noted Shirley Toelken, chairwoman for the Harvest Fair Committee. "We chose the project in an effort to bring realtors together to work towards a common goal," explained Ben Scranton, public relations coordinator for the board. "It was an ambitious project and we couldn't be more pleased with the results," stated Scranton.

All the money was used to purchase specific items of need: a restaurant-size stove for the Prospect House; floor covering for the Women's Shelter; and furnishings for the children's room of the Arch Project.

In addition, over 25 cases of canned goods were donated to the Open Pantry, which assists families who cannot adequately feed themselves.

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Caba, who was one of the two councilors to vote against the police captain and lieutenant positions, has been a strong critic against the two posts since budget deliberations last spring.

Also dissenting was Councilor Alfred Trehey.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held at Agawam Public Library, in the Town of Agawam, Massachusetts, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on Monday, December 15, 1986 upon petition of New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Western Mass. Electric Company dated November 21, 1986 for permission to: install one (1) wood pole as shown on sketch in the ways or parts of ways designated in said petition, along which designated route of line you are an owner of real estate as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

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Petition No. AG-1216

Street, Meadow and Kirkland
Ursula Retzler
Council Clerk

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Agawam Obituaries

Hervey E. Fowler

Hervey E. Fowler, 84, of 61 Cooper Street, a retired shipping and receiving clerk for Endo Laboratories, Long Island, New York, died in a local nursing home.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, he had lived in Hollis, New York, and in Westfield before moving to Agawam. His wife, the former Dorothy Collier, died on February 14th.

He leaves a stepson, Kenneth G. Miller of Westfield, and a grandson.

The funeral and burial was private at the convenience of the family. Firtion Adams Funeral Home, Westfield, was in charge.

Romeo T. Quatrone

Romeo T. Quatrone, 70, of 578 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, a retired stationary fireman for Northeast Utilities, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He worked for the company for 40 years, retiring in 1979.

Born in Springfield, he had lived in this area all his life. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. He was a Navy veteran of World War II, having served aboard the USS Escort in the Mediterranean Sea.

He is survived by his widow, Camelia (Solitario) Quatrone; a son, Ronald of Feeding Hills; two sisters, Lena Lufera and Elizabeth Grimaldi, both of Springfield; and a grandchild.

The funeral was held at Curran-Jones Funeral Home, Cooper Street, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

Stella V. Banas

Stella V. (Szot) Banas, 79, of 17 Royal Street, formerly of Taylor Street, Chicopee, a retired 34-year employee of New England Telephone Company, died at home. She retired in 1967.

Born in Ware, she lived in Chicopee most of her life and moved to Agawam a year ago. She attended Chicopee schools. She was a communicant of St. Patrick's Church, Chicopee, and a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America for 34 years. Her husband, Frank M. Banas, died in 1984.

She leaves three daughters, Abby Ayers, with whom she lived, Ethel Daignault of Chicopee, and Mildred Toczko of Agawam; 10 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. The funeral was at Tylunas Funeral Home and in the church with burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery, all in Chicopee.

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Thursday, December 11th
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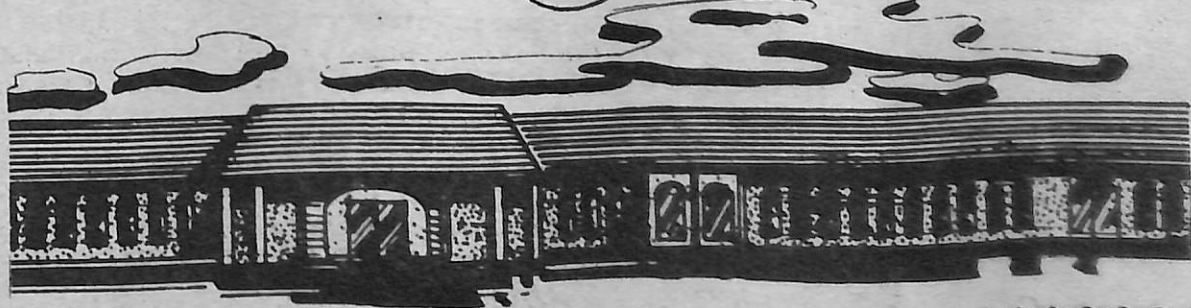
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WHEREAS, the above statute authorizes the licensing authority to regulate the use of these licenses, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council is desirous of establishing uniform regulations for the issuance of said licenses, in the form of an ordinance,

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Council hereby amends the Town Code by deleting Section 11-13 of the Code and inserting and adopting the following ordinance:

Sec. 11-13 Condition Precedent to Issuance of Class 1 and 2 Licenses.

A. Any person filing an application for a license or amending an existing license shall file an accurate plot plan of all the premises on which this license will be exercised. Such plan shall be drawn to scale, shown the north arrow as well as the actual dimensions, radii, and all angles of all the premises, showing the specific area to be used for the car lot, display areas, and all permanent buildings. The plot plan shall also include buffer areas, signs, driveways, and all abutters to the property; and such other information and plans as may be necessary to determine the merits of the application. Such plans must be approved by the Building Department.

B. Every licensee shall provide a suitable place to conduct his business which shall include a plan to provide services and storage for not less than one motor vehicle. A storage area shall be exclusive of any office space. Each licensee shall be required to provide an area of display for vehicles containing not less than 1,500 square feet.

C. The issuance of any license shall be allowed only for a minimum of five (5) cars & does not allow auto repairs, or auto body repairs for the general public, but is restricted to repairs only on cars offered for sale by the dealer. All major repairs must be done indoors.

D. After a license is issued under this section, the licensee must obtain dealer license plates from the Registry of Motor Vehicles and shall not use repair plates for the vehicles held for sale. The licensee must obtain the above plates within ninety (90) days of the issuance of the license and retain these plates as a condition of holding this license. All license plate numbers must be recorded in the office of the Town Clerk upon receipt from the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

E. No person shall be licensed to buy and sell second hand motor vehicles unless he has filed with his application a statement certifying that such business will be the applicant's principal business and to be conducted on the licensed premises.

F. No car for sale shall be parked within the buffer area which shall be a minimum of five feet from a public way or sidewalk. Bumper guards shall be placed along any street line used as a display area. The licensing authority may require additional buffers that they deem necessary as it applies to safety of each individual area.

G. No temporary office space will be allowed such as small buildings without proper sanitary facilities, or trailers on wheels or blocks.

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H. Failure of a licensee to conform with any of this section or zoning bylaws, shall be deemed cause to suspend, revoke or not to re-issue the license.

I. Effective upon the date of the adoption of this ordinance, all present licensees who remain in the same location and under the same ownership shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 11-13 A, B, C and G of this Chapter, provided however, that all conditions in effect upon the original issuance of any such license shall remain as a condition for those license holders.

J. All signs shall conform with sign ordinance.

K. The hours of operation to be restricted between the hours of 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. No sales or promotional activities on Sundays or holidays with the exception of Washington's Birthday.

L. Lighting shall be a condition of the license to be approved by the Building Inspector subject to final inspection and approval by that officer.

M. Subject to any other safety precautions deemed necessary by the licensing authority.

N. The licensing authority may approve an application for a Class 1 and 2 dealers license with the stipulation that all the above regulations must be met prior to the issuance of their license.

Sec. 11-14 Revocation of licenses, hearings.

The licensing authority is empowered to suspend revoke or take any other action provided by this Chapter of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, against any license issued under Sec. 11-13, after hearing, if it finds that there has been a violation of law ordinance, rule or regulation.

Sec. 11-15 Penalties.

If the licensing authority finds, after hearing, that there has been a violation of law, ordinance, rule or regulation, it may revoke, suspend or fine any licenses. Fines shall be established as follows:

1. First Offense for each day of violation, \$50.00.

2. Second Offense or subsequent Offense for each day of violation, \$100.00.

Nothing herein shall prevent the licensing authority from imposing any of the above penalties, in any combination.

Sec. 11-16 Limitation of Licenses

The total number of Class 2 dealers licenses issued under G.L. Chapter 140, sections 58 and 59 at any one time shall be no more than forty (40).

Sec. 11-17 Fees

The annual fee of Class 1 and 2 licenses is \$100.00.

Sec. 11-18 Enforcement, Investigation

The investigation of violations under the Chapter shall be delegates to the Police Chief or his designees and the Building Inspector or his designees, who may enter licensed premises at reasonable times to inspect and investigate the condition, in order to insure compliance with Sec. 11-13.

Sec. 11-19 Class 3 Provisions

The provisions of Sections 11-14, 11-15, 11-17 and 11-18 inclusive, shall apply to all Class 3 licenses.

DATED THIS 1ST DAY OF December, 1986.

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL

Andrew Gallano, President

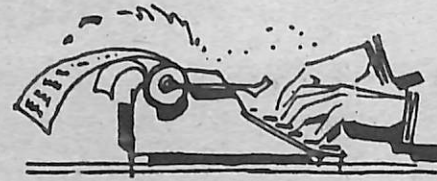
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Ralph L. Atkins, Town Solicitor

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Letters-to-the-Editor



Thanks To The Mystery Woman

To The Editor:

I would like to thank the lovely lady who found and turned in my purse at the Food Mart parking lot, Tuesday, November 18th.

It certainly renews our faith in our fellow beings. I was unable to thank this great lady in person, as I did not have her name. I hope to have the opportunity to repay this good deed to someone in the near future.

God Bless and many thanks.

Eleanor C. Esemplio

Agawam Republicans Plan December 6th Breakfast

The Agawam Republican Town Committee will meet for breakfast, Saturday morning, December 6th, at 8:30 a.m., at Oak Ridge Country Club, Feeding Hills.

Walter DeFillippi, state representative from West Springfield, will be the guest speaker. He will discuss the reconstruction of the Massachusetts Republican Party, starting with the mechanics of selecting a new party chairman.

Ideas of State Representative Ellen Canavan (R-Needham) will also be discussed. Another subject to be discussed is how local Republican Town Committees should be involved in selecting representation to the Republican State Committee.

Interested Independent and Republican voters are welcome to attend.

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, December 11, 1986, at 7:00 P.M., in the Town Clerk's Meeting Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Matthew Alaimo to perform work subject to the ACT on North Street Ext.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1986 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of JAMES B. & KAREN P. FRANTZ who are seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 21 (b) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the addition and construction of a Second Housekeeping unit to the existing single family residence located at 16 SIMPSON CIRCLE.

By order of the Board of Appeals
Theodore A. Progulski
Chairman

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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, December 11, 1986, at 8:30 P.M., in the Town Clerk's Meeting Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear the Request for Determination of Applicability for Roland Hebert for property located at 5 Fernwood Drive, Agawam, MA.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman
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The Agawam Conservation Commission will meet on Thursday, December 11, 1986, at 8:15 P.M., in the Town Clerk's Meeting Room, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This meeting is called to act upon the amendment to the original Order of Conditions issued January 23, 1986, for Medical West.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman
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Henry J. Kozloski, Chairman

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PRESENTING A TURKEY to **Diane P. Wilson**, administrative officer for Park WestBank and Trust Company is vice-president **Ernest F. Fritz**. Looking on is **Jane M. Knapp** of the bank's personnel office. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Chamber To Hold Annual Christmas Breakfast

The Agawam Chamber of Commerce will present its Annual Christmas Breakfast, Tuesday, December 16th, from 7:45 to 9:45 a.m., at Chez Josef. Guest speaker will be Richard Garvey, editor of the *Springfield Daily News*. Garvey's program will include "Christmas Stories of New England," to help put you in a good mood for the whole holiday season. There will be an introduction of new members, and door prizes by Santa Claus. Reservations are required at \$7 per person. Send check to Agawam Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 531, Agawam, MA, 01001.

Rosary Altar Society Sets Bazaar For December 6th

The Sacred Heart Church of Feeding Hills will hold a bazaar at the Parish Social Center from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, December 6th. Handcrafted items and baked goods will be on sale. Also, luncheon will be available for the shoppers. This is sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society, and proceeds will be used for the renovation of the church sanctuary.

Agawam Christian Coalition Hold Supper Meeting

The Agawam Christian Coalition of Churches held their supper meeting, Sunday, November 23rd, at St. John's Parish Hall, preceding the Ecumenical Thanksgiving service. The coalition will be holding a collection of canned goods and non-perishable foods in the member churches in the area. Those interested in donating can contact Ruth Zucco, 786-8468, or ask at their church. The deadline for contributions will be Monday, December 15th. The coalition will be distributing Christmas baskets in the community.

The churches of the coalition are as follows: Agawam Baptist, Agawam Congregational, Agawam United Methodist, Feeding Hills Congregational, Sacred Heart Roman Catholic, St. Anthony of Padua, St. David's Episcopal, St. John's Roman Catholic, St. Theresa of Infant Jesus, and Valley Community Church.

"Hats For Warmth Sent To Needy In Joint Effort

Members of the Knitting Club at Heritage Hall Nursing Home joined Agawam Senior Center volunteers in participating in the "Hats on For Warmth" program sponsored by Northeast Utilities. Approximately 250 of the knitted hats will be distributed to needy children as a result of this project. Two members of the Heritage Hall Nursing Home recently visited the Senior Center to present the hats knitted by their club. This project was coordinated by Virginia Hennessey, community aide at the Agawam Senior Center, and Kathy Newman, activities director at Heritage Hall North.

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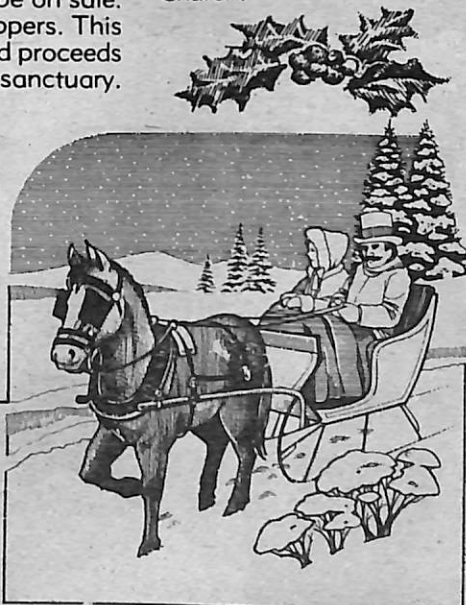
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AIRMAN ALI KITCHELL

Airman Ali Kitchell Graduates Basic Training

Airman Ali Kitchell, son of Ali B. Kitchell and stepson of Helen Kitchell of 107 Forest Hill Road, Feeding Hills, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is a 1986 graduate of Agawam High School.

Brage-Iduna Lodge To Welcome Xmas

Brage-Iduna Lodge 9, Vasa Order of America, a Swedish-American fraternal and cultural organization, will celebrate the Christmas Season with a Luciafest, Saturday, December 13th, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m., with a buffet, Lucia pageant, singing and dancing at the Springfield Turnverein, 176 Garden Street, Feeding Hills.

The buffet will be served by the Ladies of the Turnverein.

Becki Runshaw, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Alan Runshaw of Feeding Hills, has been chosen to be the 1986 Lucia bride. In her court will be her sister, Karen Runshaw; Debbie Ebbersten, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ebbersten of West Springfield; Jennifer Ives, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Ives of Westfield; and Anna Nordstrom, an exchange student from Sweden now living in Springfield, and attending the High School of Commerce. The story of Santa Lucia will be told while the pageant progresses.

Music will be furnished by the Skandia Women's Chorus and Orpher Dranger Male Chorus. Featured guest soloist will be the well-known Allan Nelson of Cromwell, Connecticut. Kurt Bischoff will play for the ring dancing around the Christmas tree, and later for the traditional Swedish (Scandinavian) dancing.

Present will be the Three Crown's Swedish Children's Club 199. Of course, the Yule Tomte (Santa Claus) will arrive for the children.

Tickets will be limited to 250 people and may be purchased before December 7th from Harry Swanson (East Longmeadow) 525-2857; Margareta Sjoborg (West Springfield) 739-5775 or 734-7652; and Leslie Little (Springfield) 788-8733.

Adults tickets are \$12; children, five to 12 years, \$3. (The lodge is underwriting part of the cost of the children's meals.) Children under five years are free.

"Tiny Tim Program" Again Asks For Cards

Once again, Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children in Springfield is accepting holiday greeting cards for the youngsters who will be there now through Christmas.

Just send them along to: **Tiny Tim, Shriners' Hospital, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA, 01104.**

The Tiny Tim idea began back in the holiday season of 1979 when WGGB TV-40 Weatherman Paul Sutton asked his viewers to add one more Christmas, or Hanukkah card to their mailing list, and send it to Tiny Tim, a name inspired by the charming boy in Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*, and the generic name for the boys and girls at the hospital during the holidays.

The response was overwhelming, with over 12,000 cards arriving the first year, and as many as 18,000 in recent years.

It's the simplest and warmest gesture a person can make during this meaningful time of year, and one that is easily affordable.

So, when mailing your holiday greeting cards this year, add a bit more glow to the true spirit of Christmas and Hanukkah by sending one to a child at the Shriners' Hospital.

Sergeant Alexander Hunter Graduate Of Non-Com Acad.

Technical Sergeant Alexander Hunter, son of Kate Hunter of 46 Carmel Lane, Feeding Hills, has graduated from an Air Force major command, non-commissioned officer academy at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

The sergeant received advanced military leadership and management training.

Hunter is a legal services technician with the 3700th Air Base Group.

Mended Hearts Group To Meet December 8th

On Monday, December 8th, the Mended Hearts, Chapter 37 of Greater Springfield will meet at 7:30 p.m., at the Elks Lodge 61, 440 Tiffany Street, Springfield.

Anyone interested in pre or post cardiac surgery is welcome to attend.

Refreshments will be served.

Service Of Lights At Bay Path Slated For December 10th

Bay Path Junior College's Annual Service of Lights, a program of seasonal music and words sponsored by the college's Interfaith Council, will be held Wednesday, December 10th, at 7:30 p.m., in Mills Theatre, Carr Hall, on the Longmeadow campus. The public is invited to attend and there is no charge for admission.

The ecumenical service will feature inspirational words by Bay Path's students, and from college chaplains, Reverend Jeddie P. Brooks of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and Reverend Ward R. Smith of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

In addition, Bay Path's Glee Club and smaller singing group, the Chamber Singers/Keynotes, will present a concert of varied, holiday-related music under the direction of Charles E. Page.

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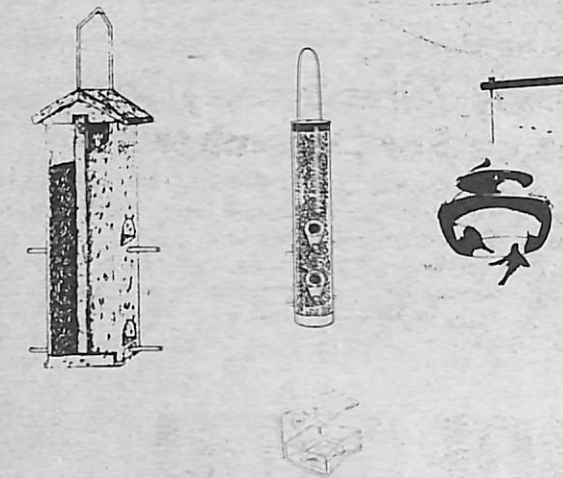
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by Marilyn & Dick Curry - Local Historians

Will The Real George Lock(e) Please Come Forward.....

IS THIS GEORGE LOCK(E), our mystery man?

If deceased town resident George Lock(e) never made any ripples on the placid waters of his lifetime, most certainly he, or someone answering his description, is doing so, now, in the form of many waves of questions, answers, and doubts!

Indeed George, your memory in our beloved town is still very much alive. If never before had you caused consternation in the mind of your neighbors, most assuredly you are doing so this very minute; the most complimentary comments have you left behind.

Shortly following the first appearance of the article concerning George Lock(e), we met with AAN's spirited editor, Richard Sardella.

"Is there any chance of a follow-up story on George Lock(e), whomever he might have been?" Before we could reply to his inquiry, Mr. Sardella informed us that he had been inundated with phone calls and letters concerning this "Man of Mystery."

Well, put your mind at ease, Mr. Sardella. At least for the moment, we, too, have been getting some feedback on the gentleman in question. Still, there remains the old inquiry: "Do you want the good news, first, or the bad news?" It seems apparent from this statement that we have had information via our readers that still leaves us in a quandary.

PRESENT STATUS OF GEORGE

For the purpose of bringing our readers up-to-date, allow us to very briefly summarize our original story concerning this very mysterious individual.

Originally, we had been told by reliable sources that George Lock(e) had been a hired hand (indentured servant) to the Harvey Porter family sometime in the late 19th century. It was stated that the man in question had been 14 years of age when he came north (from Maryland) sometime during the Civil War era.

Still further, George Lock(e) had been a farmhand on Porter's property until his demise in 1945, at the ripe old age of 91. It would seem that this kindly old gentleman, as photographed by Agawam's Doctor I.I. Chamberlain (just before his death), was indeed worthy of being considered by one and all who knew him as somewhat of an introvert.

He went about his daily chores (barefoot), except on the Sabbath, avoiding the ladies (reasons unknown), and dressing up on Sunday mornings to attend services at the nearest Roman Catholic Church.

George was presumed to be a Catholic. Of still further interest is that George is said to have remained an indentured servant, right to the time of his departure in 1945.

Upon this premise, we started to make inquiries of the only man to come up with more and more evidence to the fact the George Lock(e) we had been informed about was not the George Lock(e)s that certain of the Vital Statistics revealed!

Our first inclination was to contact anyone of his acquaintances in the hope we might learn more of the man. As the evidence unfolded, we became totally confused with the information available to us. We became more inquisitive, caught up in the ever-growing dilemma concerning the true identity of this mysterious man.

SEE GEORGE LOCK(E) - Page 45...



IS THIS THE REAL GEORGE LOCK(E)?

Thomas & Rose Russo Celebrate 53rd Anniversary

On November 23rd, Thomas & Rose Russo of 655 Cooper Street, Agawam, celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary. The couple was married in 1933. Helping the Russos to celebrate the happy occasion were their three children, five granddaughters, and one great-grandson.

Russo has been a constable in town and a member of the Auxiliary Police for 31 years, as well as a member of the Central Massachusetts Police Association for 30 years.

Local Historians Marilyn & Richard Curry, since their first publication about the mystery man, George Lock(e), have received further information about him(them?).

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Agawam Lioness Club Holds Sweater Sale



AGAWAM LIONESS PRESIDENT Alice Olson (left) greets Joann Klundt at the special Sweater Sale, Saturday, November 22nd, at Sacred Heart Church. The sale benefits club projects. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Airman Gary R. Belisle Graduates Basic Training

Airman Gary R. Belisle, son of Mr. & Mrs. David J. Belisle of 27 Rosie Lane, Agawam, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs, and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. He is a 1986 graduate of Agawam High School.



RESIDENT ROSEMARY KLUNDT (right) looks over a sweater from Marge Byron, a representative from Frederick Mills, Ware, at the Agawam Lions Club Sweater Sale at Sacred Heart Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Coronet Facial Tissues	2/\$1.00
Coca Cola - 1 Liter Bottles	59¢ P.D.
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Friday, December 12th
Square Dance
Agawam Hi-Lighters
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8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 10th
Service Of Lights
Bay Path Junior College
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Tuesday, December 16th
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HERITAGE HALL RESIDENTS Theodora Socha & Annette Blair assist bazaar shoppers Shari Hill and her 4½ year-old daughter, Hannah. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



VOLUNTEER VAL NOVAK and resident Anna Tyminski at Heritage Hall's Annual Holiday Bazaar, recently held at the nursing home. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Heritage Hall's News, Activities, Events

FRIENDS VISIT FRIENDS!

On Tuesday, residents Ellen Moon and Asenath Merrell, accompanied by Activity Director Kathy Newman, visited the Agawam Senior Center. They represented the Knitting Club as they arrived with their finished products for the "Hats On For Warmth" program.

Residents of Heritage Hall have been working in conjunction with members of the Senior Center. They were greeted by Ginny Hennessey, who is in charge of the program. Mrs. Hennessey gave us a tour of the facility and extended an invitation to attend lunch with everyone. Everyone enjoyed the luncheon and conversation.

We also enjoyed the chance to visit with other community senior citizens and see programs that they offer to the community. Heritage Hall residents would like to express a warm thank-you to the Agawam Senior Citizen Center for a wonderful day.

CELEBRATIONS BEGIN!

Heritage Hall residents attended a Thanksgiving Tea in celebration of Thanksgiving. Lucy McClean, president of Resident Council, was given the honor of serving the tea from our antique silver service. Sandwiches, petit fours, and party cookies were also served.

Residents enjoyed relating stories of past Thanksgiving holidays with one another. Everyone who attended enjoyed themselves tremendously. Residents are eagerly looking forward to celebrating the many upcoming holiday functions.

SENSES ALERT!

Residents of Heritage Hall have been enjoying themselves as they participated in the study of a three-part series of a mini course. Christine Brighton, a student from Springfield College, has been teaching the course titled "Speaking of the Senses."

The first series highlighted the sense of touch and sight. Residents were asked to reach inside a box, then feel and describe the object within. The vivid descriptions gave everyone a chance to guess what was inside.

The second series featured the senses of taste and smell. They enjoyed the many taste tests of fruits, drinks, and other foods. Resident Mary Evans commented on how interesting it was to learn how the taste of certain foods vary when mixed with others.

The last series consisted of a variety of music to emphasize the sense of hearing. Residents were asked what type of music they preferred and why. Everyone then listened to music, beginning with classical and finishing with country music.

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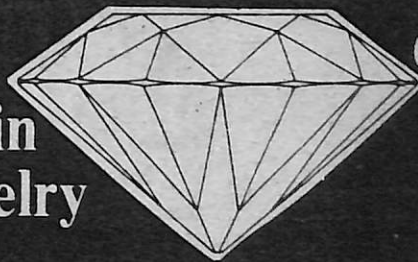
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Residents also reminisced about the times they sat around the radio with their families enjoying the programs. The program ended with an all-time favorite game "Name That Tune." Hit songs performed by artists Judy Garland, Dean Martin, and several others were played. The residents' hearing was sharp as they were able to pinpoint the right name most of the time.

Christine will be returning in the spring to share more of her special talents with us. Thanks Chris! We've had a great time and look forward to your return.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Kathy Gilbert was voted "Employee of the Month" of November by fellow staff members. Kathy has been a nurses' assistant on Wing D in South Building for six years.

She is a diligent worker and knows how to show other people consideration and compassion. Heritage Hall is honored to have Kathy in their employment.

Kathy was honored at a party held Monday, November 10th, by residents and staff. Connie Henning, administrator, presented Kathy with a \$50 award. There will be a new employee chosen each month to receive this award. December's "Employee of the Month" will come from the Dietary Department, and each department will have the opportunity to be represented throughout the year.

BEAUTY BLOSSOMS!

Carol Roselli and her daughter, Kathy, arrived Tuesday to instruct the residents of Heritage Hall in the art of floral arranging. Carol holds the class twice a year for them.

Tuesday, she arrived laden with an abundance of beautiful fall mums. The colors were warm and refreshing—yellow, gold, and rust.

Carol and the residents also used two different varieties of ferns and baby's breath to complement their creations. Twenty excited residents participated in the class, and what a success it was. They were beaming with pride as they viewed each other's arrangements. Residents are anxiously awaiting Carol's return with more of nature's beauty.

Heritage Hall would like to express a warm thank-you to Carol for her dedication and devotion to the residents.

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK**Donald Welles Ressler**

Donald Welles Ressler was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, of a Bohemian father and Yankee mother. In high school, he learned to play the piano and earned spending money playing in a band. He is proud of the fact that as a teenager, he "earned his own way." For a time, he considered preparing for the ministry but studied history instead.



CONSTANCE HENNING PRESENTS Kathy Gilbert with award for being named "Employee of the Month."



DONALD WELLES RESSLER

After military service, first as a private in the cavalry, and then three years as an officer in the reserves, he joined the American Legion and the Masons. He went to college and earned a bachelor's degree in history from Michigan State, and later a master's degree in teaching from Columbia.


Don then taught in the public school system for 30 years, first for three years in Pittsfield, and then 27 years in Springfield, where he made his home with his wife, the former Hildegard White, who held the post of secretary to the president of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Bank, which is now the Shawmut Bank, and his daughter, Christine. After retirement, he enjoyed a stint teaching at a Northampton private girls school.

A dedicated teacher, his full energies were absorbed by his profession. Don is proud that he was a professional in the business of "Shaping minds," but he enjoyed relaxing at the movies and attending plays at the

old Mountain Park Summer Stock Playhouse, occasionally visiting his two sisters and father in Pittsfield.

At home, Don was more than a passable chef. He cooked for his wife and daughter on a regular basis (anything but pies). Hildegard was an expert pie maker. He probably owes his interest in cooking and his skill in the game of checkers to his father, Joseph, who had been in the restaurant business and a checkers champion. When not cooking or correcting papers, he might be found playing the piano (at least until television intruded), a talent he utilized at his daughter's wedding.

Don is a fortunate and contented man who is doted on by his daughter, Christine, and only grandchild, Diana. He takes events as they come and accepts them philosophically. Age takes its toll, but Don adjusts and makes the best of things. As a consequence, though, he now resides in a nursing home. His mind is good and he made new friends. Truly, Don can be an inspiration to those in the same boat.



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Warm Hats From Heritage Hall



AS PART OF A PROJECT WITH THE AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER, Heritage Hall residents helped to make "warm hats" for the needy this winter. Pictured above is Heritage Hall's Kathy Newman and the Senior Center's Virginia Hennessey; and front row - Caroline DeMaio, Asenath Merrill, and Ellen Moon.

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Church Supper Always Pleases



ENJOYING A RECENT CHURCH SUPPER is Paul Bomely with his two youngsters, Gretchen & Andrew. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Springfield "Festival of Trees" At Museum Of Fine Arts

A charmed woodland of brilliant, ornamented trees, wreaths and centerpieces on display and for sale will fill the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts for the first "Springfield Festival of Trees."

Sponsored by the Fine Arts Council as a fundraiser for the art museums, this festive community event will be held from December 9th to 14th, noon to 5:00 p.m., and December 11th until 9:00 p.m. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

The festival will also be the scene of many holiday craft demonstrations, entertainments, and exhibitions. At different times from December 9th to 14th, bell ringers and madrigal singers, lampshade makers and egg dyers, magicians and storytellers, bakers and

dollmakers, spinners and potters, and more, will share their skills with visitors.

A multitude of uniquely-decorated trees, centerpieces, and wreaths designed and donated by area companies, businesses, organizations, and talented individuals will be on sale, with the proceeds to benefit the art museums. Items will be tagged as they are purchased, and are to be picked-up December 15th.

Some of the arboreal splendors of "Springfield Festival of Trees" will be: a six-foot Victorian Christmas tree festooned with hand-fashioned ornaments, flowers, ribbons, gilt, lace and pomander balls; elaborate topiary trees embellished with dried roses; and a miniature tree resplendent with jewels and gold decorations.

Another tree will carry out the theme of the story, *The Snow Goose*, with enamel figures of geese and assorted trinkets.

For children and the young at heart, one designer has planned an elaborately decorated children's dinner table, complete with tree, antique five-piece train-set, and old fashioned toys.

Lego will contribute the **Imagination Tree**, a four-foot high tree of green building blocks, with white brick candles and yellow brick flames. In a similar spirit, a classic gingerbread house and fascinating collections of antique dolls will be on view.

The Museum of Fine Arts is located at 49 Chestnut Street, at the Quadrangle.

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New England Boiled Dinner

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Although good anytime, this 'meal in a pot' is especially appropriate during fall and early winter when the traditional vegetables have just been harvested.

— Cook corned beef (4 pound piece of brisket, flank or plate) by covering with boiling water and simmer until a fork can penetrate to the center—about 3-4 hours. (Do not boil).

— Remove meat from stock and add, peeled, and cut in half:

6 large carrots or more

6 medium size potatoes

1 large turnip, cut into wedges

— Simmer 30 minutes; remove potatoes, if done, and add one head cabbage, cut into wedges. Cook 15 minutes or until vegetables are tender.

— Reheat the meat in the stock. Serve it on a platter, surrounded by the vegetables. Garnish with fresh parsley if you have it.

NOTE: Many cooks like to serve beets, cooked separately, with the other vegetables.

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You've probably heard it all your life, "Eat the potato skin—it's good for you." The FACT is—what's GOOD for you is the **potato just under the skin**. In potatoes, carrots and some other vegetables, there is a rich layer of nutrients just under the skin which is usually wasted when one discards the skin of baked potatoes or peels carrots and potatoes before cooking/eating.

For mashed potatoes, boiling whole potatoes in their "jackets," then peeling and mashing, saves the most nutrients. You can see that the skin is paper thin—good for fiber but not much for nutrients.

Camp Style Mashed Potatoes

Scrub fresh potatoes and without peeling, cut into quarters or eighths, depending on size of potato. Cook, tightly covered in one-half inch to one inch slightly salted water until tender. Mash, only draining off water if necessary. (Save and add back if possible). Add sour cream 'to taste' and some butter or margarine if you can afford some extra calories. Quick 'easy'n good....

Golden Nugget (Pineapple) Muffins

Makes 1 Dozen

1 can (8 ounces) crushed pineapple

¾ cup milk (approximate)

1 egg, slightly beaten

1½ teaspoons grated orange rind

2 cups flour

¼ cup sugar

1 Tablespoon baking powder

¼ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon nutmeg

¼ cup oil or melted margarine

Drain pineapple liquid into a measuring cup. Add enough milk to make one cup. Combine with egg and orange rind.

In separate bowl, sift together flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, and nutmeg.

Blend milk mixture into dry ingredients, along with the oil, mixing only until batter is blended. Stir in crushed pineapple.

Spoon into lightly buttered muffin pans. Bake at 400° for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Cool slightly. Remove from pan and serve warm.

Individual Tuna Pizzas

Serves 8

½ cup mayonnaise

½ teaspoon salt (optional)

¼ teaspoon oregano and basil, mixed together (¼ teaspoon total)

½ cup finely diced celery

1 teaspoon finely chopped onion (or minced dry, ¼ teaspoon)

2 cans (6½-7 ounce) tuna, drained

8 English muffins, halved or 8 slices toast

½ can (8 ounce) tomato sauce or more if you like

Grated Parmesan cheese

Mix first six ingredients together. Pile onto muffin halves. Spoon tomato sauce on top. Sprinkle with the cheese. Put under broiler till heated and slightly browned.

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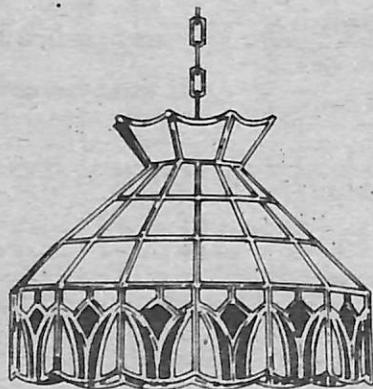
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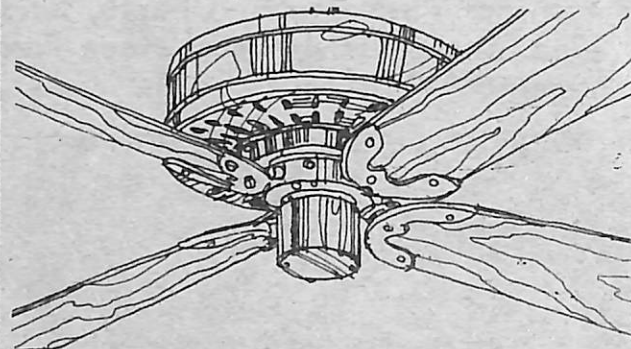
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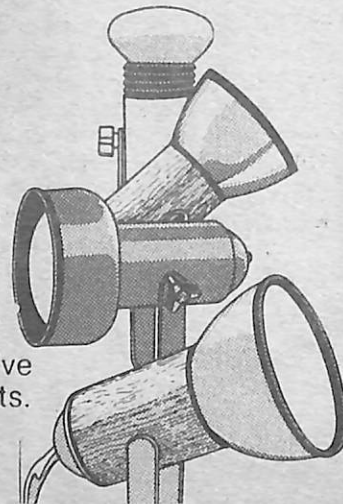


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"Jingle Valley Fair" At Agawam Baptist Church



AT THE ANNUAL JINGLE VALLEY FAIR at the Agawam First Baptist Church, Saturday, November 22nd, Sharon Hodge and Hope Paradysz show-off a handmade Christmas wreath. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



A WONDERFUL TABLE OF BAKED GOODS was available to the public at the Annual Jingle Valley Fair at the Agawam First Baptist Church, Saturday, November 22nd. Pictured above are Coralie Southworth and Edith Gottsche. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ANNE PENNOCK and MURIEL HASTINGS are quite proud of their handmade pillows at the Jingle Valley Fair. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1976 gathered for their "Second Chance 10-Year Reunion," Friday, November 28th, at Tekoa Country Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ACROSS THE MILES: These four Agawam High Class of 1976 members attended last week's reunion from the farthest distances. From left - Michael Haramut, Warner Robins, Georgia; Donald Smith, North Kingston, Rhode Island; Lynda Roy, Freeport, Maine; and Steve McCormack, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



REUNION COMMITTEE MEMBERS, standing, from left - Laurie Provost, Ellen (Grabinski) Davilli, Cathy (Andrews) Byrne, Paul Bryne, Jon Lund, Nancy Hermans, Gail (Bellamy) Johnson, and Joanne Bennett greet honored guests from the faculty and staff of AHS (seated) - Evelyn Hamilton, Larry Sheehan, Catherine O'Keefe, and David Pulaski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS CLASS Of 1976 Recalls Fonder Days At Hallowed Halls

The Agawam High School Class of 1976 held its "10-Year Second Chance Reunion," at the Tekoa Country Club, Westfield, Friday evening, November 28th. The "Second Chance Reunion" was held in the hopes of providing many classmates who missed the first 10-year reunion (last August 9th) the opportunity to attend and socialize with classmates.

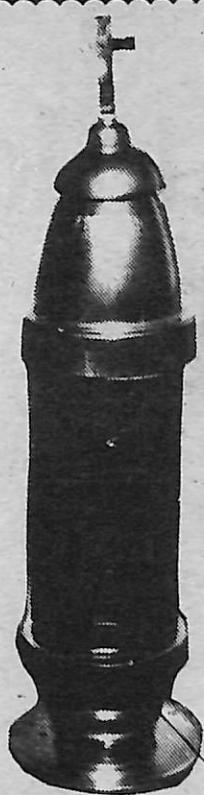
Many door prizes were given away as each person received a free raffle ticket when arriving. Some of the prizes included a Garfield telephone, tape recorder, and a 13-inch color television. The grand prize winner of the TV was Kim Mushrush.

In addition, each classmate received a booklet containing information about their former classmates' activities since leaving AHS 10 years ago. Each lady also received a carnation.

Dinner included a choice of roast top sirloin or chicken cordon bleu. All classmates agreed that both dinners were superb. Music was provided by disc jockey "Mark The Lark." The evening was also enlivened by "name that tune" and trivia contests from the high school years of the Class of 1976.

All those who attend said the "Second Chance Reunion" was a smashing success. While the turnout of 135 was a good one, there were, unfortunately, a great many former classmates who missed out on an evening to remember.

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News, Activities At Agawam Senior Center

Notice! "Friends" Will Meet December 10th at 10:00 a.m.

This is the new date for the meeting cancelled November 18th because of the snow. Everyone should make a special effort to be at the Senior Center for this important meeting. The input and support of both townspeople and seniors is earnestly sought for "Friends."

Membership is open to all Agawam residents by application. Dues are \$3 for individuals and \$15 for a business, per calendar year. Memberships taken now are for now through 1987.

The purpose of the "Friends" organization is to raise funds for the Agawam Senior Center operations; equipment, furniture, to enhance its activities, and to assist in funding the programs conducted and/or sponsored by the Council on Aging, for the benefit of all Agawam seniors.

Directors to be Elected. At the December 10th meeting, members will elect a Board of Directors for the coming year. The Board of Directors, as stated in the by-laws, shall consist of at least seven and not more than nine persons, four of whom shall be named by the Council on Aging, trustees of the "Friends" organization. A slate will be presented by the nominating committee of Stanley Syniec, Helen Blanchard, and Laura Dugan.

Successful Bazaar

The Senior Center Bazaar was a success due to the long hours of work and planning put in by Activities Director Sandra Smith, the committee, and the many volunteers. A hearty thank-you to all. A special thank-you is extended to the craft class instructors and their students.

These include Barbara Gingras, knitting; Joyce Porth, ceramics; Lydia Galletti, sewing; and Dottie Jenks, beginner's painting, as well as all the people in the special workshops. They worked very hard to get last minute items made.

Thanks, too, to local merchants who contributed to the bazaar, including Soda & Pet Food City, Feeding Hills Pharmacy, Smith Drug, SIS-Agawam, Building 451, and Child World (West Springfield).

The proceeds of the bazaar go into the treasury of "Friends."

Holiday Break for Senior Center Classes. All classes will take a two-week Holiday break from December 22nd to January 2nd. Classes will resume January 5th and continue to January 30th, completing the first semester.

Registration for Second Semester Classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, February 3rd, 4th, and 5th, between 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Second semester classes will start the week of February 9th, and will end for the summer June 26th. You will want to make these dates on your 1987 calendar.

Reminder—to class instructors only—There will be a meeting January 26th, 1987 at lunch, prior to the start of the second semester classes.

Coachlight Dinner Theater Matinee January 8th. If you haven't yet made your reservation, make haste. Don't miss out on this trip to see the musical comedy "Sweet Charity" and enjoy the buffet luncheon. Cost is \$21 per person, with pick-up at Country View at 11:00 a.m. and at the Senior Center, 11:15 a.m.

December 16th—For those persons who signed up early enough to be included for the Mystery Trip, a reminder that pick-up will be at 9:00 a.m. at Country View and at 9:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. Also, everyone is asked to take a \$3 gift. If you have a reservation and find you cannot make the trip, please be sure to let Sandra know. She has a waiting list.

December 23rd at the center—"Merry Christmas" to everyone, with a special luncheon menu. "Fats" Daniels and his band will entertain you following lunch. Make your luncheon reservation at least a day in advance (earlier if possible).

Wanted

Senior Center Director Richard Mundo is looking for an Agawam senior who can devote 18 hours per week visiting seniors. There is a non-taxable stipend of \$175 per month for the work. Please contact the Senior Center, 786-0400, extension 242.



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Edward H. Lariviere Elected GSBK State Director

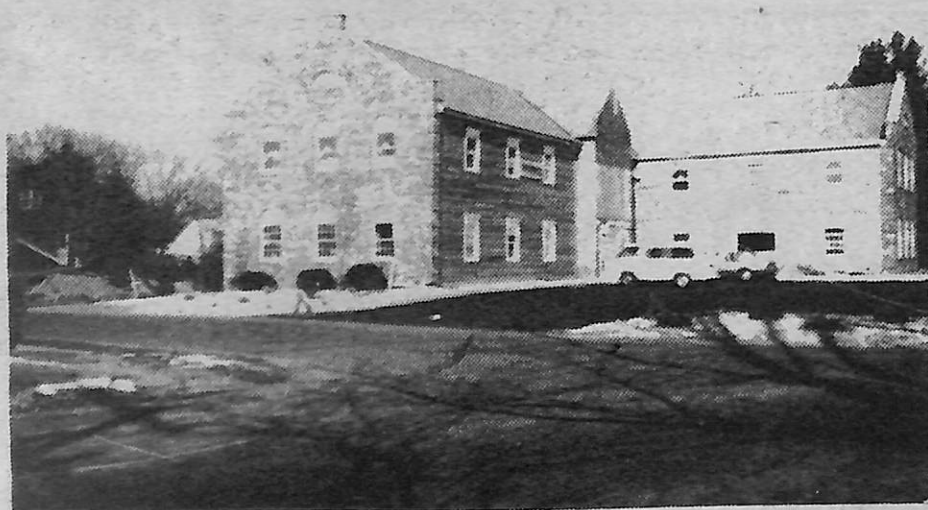
Edward H. Lariviere, real estate agent for Bergeron & Mellis, Inc., has been elected by the members of the Greater Springfield Board of Realtors to the position of state director.

In this capacity, Lariviere will be attending state board meetings, including the installation of officers in Framingham. His duties will include reviewing by-law changes, strategic planning for future growth, and election of officers.

A Feeding Hills resident, he is also active on the Springfield Board of Realtors, serving as chairman of the Building Committee, Computer Committee, and subcommittee for the election of "Realtor Citizenship Award."

He is a member of the MLS, Commercial & Industrial, Pre-Licensing School, and Public Relations Committees.

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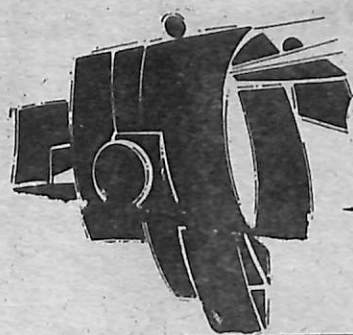
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Old Sykes Mill Country Store Opens Doors For Business On Main Street - Agawam



ARTISANS LORI SALIBA and DONALD MASON have handcrafted gold and silver jewelry inside the Old Sykes Mill Country Store on Main Street. Advertiser News photo

by Jack Devine.



NANCY DRENZEK, owner of the Old Sykes Mill Country Store, pictured in front of one of her displays inside the store. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Drenzek Family Happy About Early Response

by Jolece Orsucci
Advertiser News Feature Writer

In the early 1800's, the Old Sykes Mill was constructed on Main Street, Agawam, and enjoyed its heyday until the turn-of-the-century when modern industrial methods made the mill obsolete.

Since that time, the former mill has been destroyed, but the house built on the property has been lived-in by various families for decades. Last March, Michael & Nancy Drenzek of Suffield decided to convert the house into an old-fashioned country store.

Mrs. Drenzek's father, Roger Dagleish, owns the land and the two-family house. When the Drenzeks decided to go into business on their own, the house was made available to them by Dagleish, who owned the property for three years prior to the new store's November 1st opening.

Dagleish had lived next-door to the old home, and became quite fond of it. When Dagleish purchased the home and property in 1983, he had it in his mind to open some type of business in the house.

Extensive Renovations Done

The Drenzeks began extensive renovations on the house last March. An interior and exterior facelift were stocked during September and October. The entire restoration process was conducted by family members, stocked during September and October. The entire restoration process was completed by family members, according to the Drenzeks. Michael Drenzek specializes in colonial restoration in neighboring Suffield, and he put his skills to good use at the Old Sykes Mill Country Store.

The business was originally to focus on selling crafts on consignment, but as different ideas began to surface, states Mrs. Drenzek, the business was expanded. Although the Drenzeks do indeed sell crafts, many other items such as penny candy, jellies, fudge from Eaton Farms in Suffield, Granville Cheedar Cheese, ice cream, soda, and fresh ground coffee are also served at the old-fashioned soda fountain.

For children, the store has plenty of books, stuffed toys, and crafted toys.

Crafts, ranging from sweaters and silk flower ar-



THE OLD SYKES MILL COUNTRY STORE, located on Main Street, Agawam, next door to Thorpe's Office Supply. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

rangements are brought to the Old Sykes Mill by local residents. Mrs. Drenzek exclaims, "I'm surprised that so many people in Agawam are into crafts. I had no idea of just how many."

For the holidays, the store offers a wide selection of ornaments, decorations, cards, and assorted gifts.

Handcrafted gold and silver jewelry is also sold on the premises. Donald Mason and Lori Saliba display their works at one end of the country store.

Mason, who has been crafting jewelry since 1973, specializes in gold, while Ms. Saliba works with silver. The two artisans have sold jewelry on consignment in several stores before renting space in the Old Sykes Mill.

Earrings, bracelets, necklaces, and rings may be purchased, many of which are made with various genuine gems from diamonds to turquoise. The crafters will also set stones, repair jewelry, and take custom orders from townspeople.

The Drenzeks tell us that business has been pro-

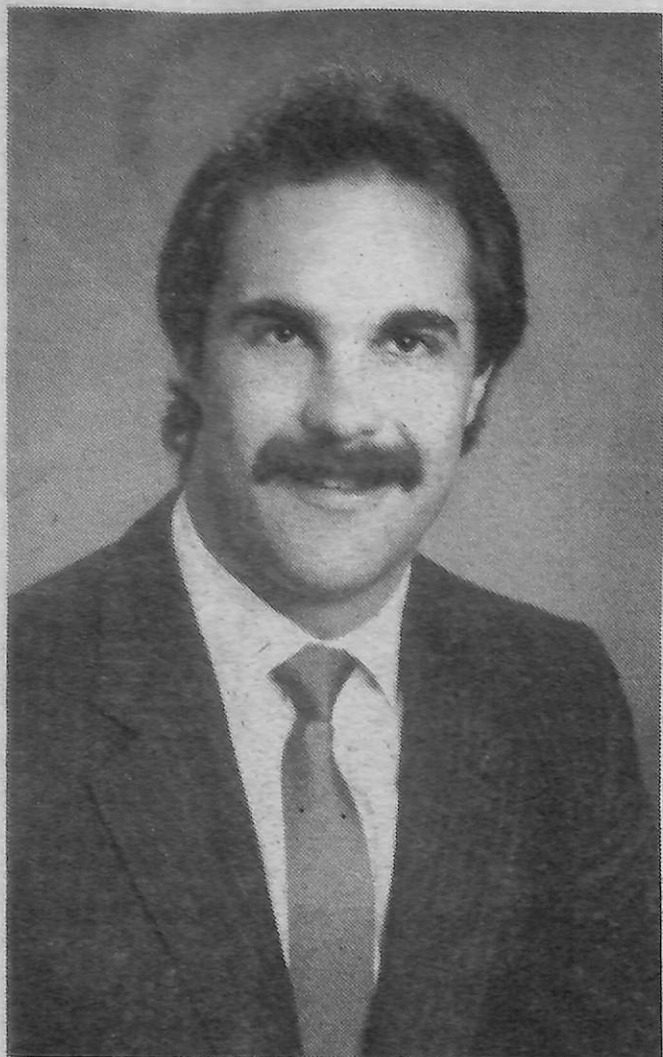
sperous so far. "We've been surprised at the number of people in town who have stopped in," states Mrs. Drenzek.

Family Support Crucial

The Suffield residents are devoting all of their time to the store for the present time. The Drenzeks are expecting a baby in January, and say that without the help and support of family members, the business would never "have got off the ground." The Drenzeks do have a 22 month-old daughter, Betsy.

In the spring, the Drenzeks plan to place ducks in a small pond on the grounds, as well as picnic tables in the yard for townspeople who purchase ice cream. At some point, the ambitious couple hope to rebuild the old mill as well as add to the present store.

The Old Sykes Mill General Store is open Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.; and is closed on Monday.



RICHARD N. HANCHETT



PATRICIA M. REIDY

Park WestBank Names 3 To New Positions

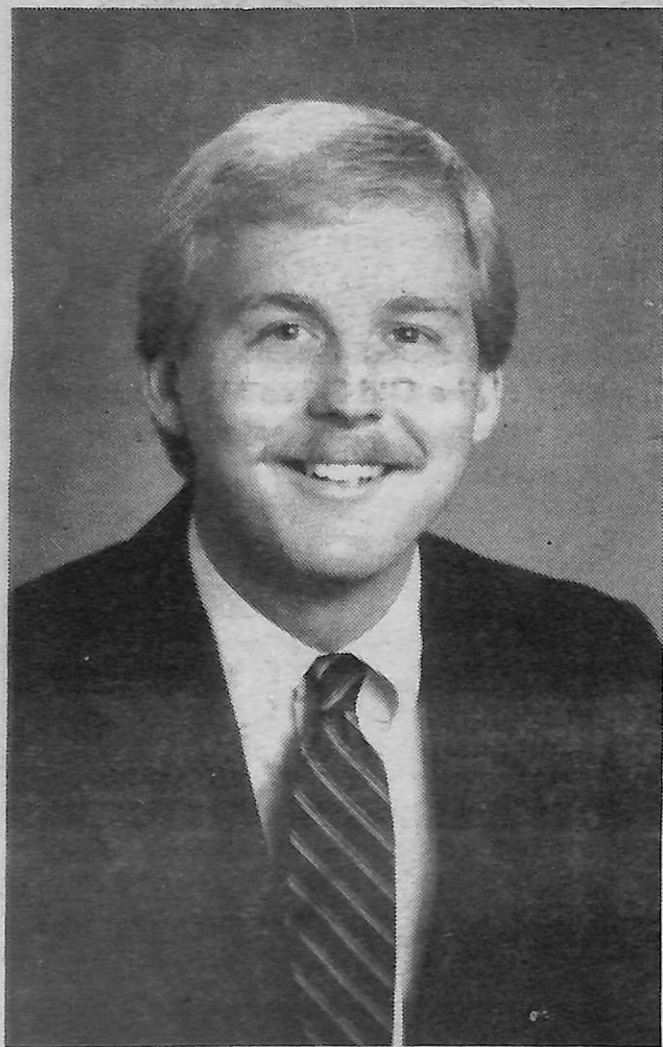
Raymond J. Labbe, president and chief executive officer of Park West Bank and Trust Company, recently announced the promotions of three Westbank employees to positions as officers of the bank.

Patricia M. Reidy was promoted to assistant treasurer. Mrs. Reidy joined Westbank in 1971, and worked in several banking departments before assuming the position of Money Desk supervisor in 1984.

Mrs. Reidy is a graduate of Notre Dame College, Staten Island, New York. Mrs. Reidy has three children, and resides with her husband in West Springfield.

Jeffrey M. Smith has been promoted to mortgage officer. Smith has been with Westbank for four years, beginning as a Commercial Loan analyst. Smith earned his bs degree in finance from the University of Maine, and is currently working towards his master's degree in business finance at Western New England College. Smith lives in West Springfield.

Richard N. Hanchett has been promoted to Commercial Loan officer. Hanchett joined Westbank in 1983, and had held the position of senior credit analyst prior to his promotion. Hanchett is a graduate of Western New England College, and has taken courses at the American Institute of Banking. Hanchett resides in Springfield.



JEFFREY M. SMITH

Ag. Fire Dept. Warns About Xmas Trees

Agawam Fire Department's rules and regulations during the Christmas Season for public buildings, places of assembly, hotels, family hotels, stores, public or private institutions, public or private school buildings, churches, theaters, special halls, public halls, or miscellaneous halls.

1. A natural tree **shall not** be permitted. Only **Artificial Flame Retardant** and **Metallic trees** are permitted.
2. Artificial trees shall be flame proof or of flame resistant material. Such trees must carry a UL label, or a label from a nationally-recognized testing laboratory, indicating that such trees have been tested and approved for use.
3. Trees shall not be over seven feet in height.
4. Trees shall not be placed **near any exit, stairway,** or elevator shaft. All means of ingress and egress from the building must be maintained free, clear and unobstructed at all times.
5. Trees shall be placed **away from all sources of heat.**
6. A spotlight may be used to light-up the tree, providing it is kept a **safe distance from the tree.**
7. **Smoking** shall not be permitted in the vicinity of the tree.
8. **Electric lights** are not permitted on metallic trees.
9. Electric light will be permitted on artificial flame retardant trees, provided that they are of the **low wattage type.**
10. All light strings and extension cords must be in proper condition and not frayed.
11. All paper streamers, cotton and bunting, and all other decorations, must be of flame retardant material.
12. All exits shall be properly lighted. Emergency lights shall be provided and be in proper working order.

Victorian Xmas Cards At Museum Exchange

To celebrate the holiday season of giving, the public is invited to take part by participating in Connecticut Valley Historical Museum's First Annual Cookie Exchange and Holiday Lecture, "**Victorian Christmas Cards**," presented by Fran Gagnon. The festivities are from 12:15 to 1:00 p.m., Thursday, December 11th.

Each is invited to bring one dozen of their favorite holiday cookies, plus the recipe, to be exchanged.

Frances Gagnon, chairwoman of the Historic Building Commission, journalist, and local historian, will reveal the timely tradition of sending Christmas cards. A specialist when it comes to Victorian Era collectibles, she will discuss what cards were first available, how much they cost in the 1870's, and what they are worth today.

"History Sandwiched In" lunch-time lectures are offered monthly at the museum. The audience is welcome to bring a bag-lunch. Coffee and tea will be served. Admission is \$2, and \$1 for Friends of the Quadrangle.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

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Take Advantage Of Tax Deductions - NOW!

Taxpayers should take advantage of tax deductions now that they will be phased-out under the new tax reform act.

One favorite deduction that will be eliminated in 1987 is state and local sales taxes. Currently, when someone makes a purchase, he may deduct the sales tax he paid from his income tax. This can add-up, especially for someone who makes a large purchase like a car. If considering buying an expensive item, do it by December 31st in order to qualify for a sales tax deduction on individual income tax.

Except for mortgage interest on a first and second home, deductions for **interest payments on loans and credit cards** will be restricted and eventually phased out, beginning in 1987. Often, a portion of the payment on loans or credit cards covers the interest payment. Depending on the size of the loan, this can amount to a large sum of money.

Over the next five years, this deduction will be phased-out. In 1987, taxpayers will be able to deduct only 65 percent of the interest they pay on loans and credit cards. In 1988, they will be able to deduct only 40 percent. Only 20 percent will be deductible in 1989, and only 10 percent in 1990. By 1991, taxpayers will no longer get a deduction for non-mortgage interest payments on their income taxes.

Taxpayers who have several loan or credit card payments may want to pay them off in 1986 in order to qualify for a full deduction for the interest paid, or to refinance them through a home equity loan.

Medical deductions will also be restricted under the new tax reform laws. Under the existing laws, a person

may deduct any costs that exceed 5 percent of his or her adjusted gross income. Beginning in 1987, taxpayers will be able to deduct only expenses that exceed 7.5 percent of adjusted gross income. Therefore, taxpayers will need either more medical expenses or lower adjusted gross incomes to qualify for the deduction.

Those who find themselves close to the 5 percent floor should now consider going for the check-up they have been putting off; buying those new glasses they need or getting braces for their children's teeth (now) rather than next year.

Deductions for retirement savings will also be curtailed. Many taxpayers, who currently qualify for a deduction based on the amount they contribute to their IRA, will have to re-evaluate their situation. Some will lose the deduction altogether.

Single individuals who have an adjusted gross income of more than \$35,000, and married couples with more than \$50,000 income, will not be able to deduct their contribution to their IRAs if they participate in an employer-sponsored retirement plan, or if their spouse is able to participate.

In this situation, single individuals with an adjusted gross income between \$25,000 and \$35,000, and married couples with an adjusted gross income between \$40,000 and \$50,000, will be able to deduct only a portion of their contribution. Only those taxpayers who are not eligible to participate in an employee sponsored retirement plan will be able to contribute the maximum amount possible to an IRA, and take a full deduction on their income tax return.

If a taxpayer already has an IRA, or is considering opening one, contributions made before filing 1986 income tax returns April 15th, 1987 will be totally deductible.

Another change in the tax law affects those who don't normally itemize their deductions and who make charitable contributions. Currently, a taxpayer may deduct contributions to charitable organizations without having to itemize deductions. In order to qualify for a deduction after 1986, however, the taxpayer will have to itemize each deduction. Moreover, charitable contributions are worth more in tax savings under the current higher tax brackets.

Historic Museum Renovating Antique Furniture

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum has received a grant from the Conservation Project Support program of the Institute of Museum Services. The money will go toward the conservation of five pieces of 18th and 19th century furniture in the museum's collection.

The pieces, all of which have a Connecticut River Valley history, are part of the museum's collection of furniture, silver, pewter, and art from the region. Scheduled for conservation are a cherry chest of drawers labeled by William Lloyd, an early 19th century Springfield cabinetmaker, and a mahogany chest on chest attributed to Eliphalet Chapin. A block front desk, Federal card table, and another chest of drawers will also be treated.

The work is part of the museum's ongoing conservation program, which includes creation of a new collections storage area, renovation of exhibit galleries, and treatment of items in the collection. The furniture being conserved through the Institute of Museum Services grant will be on display in the museum's Connecticut Valley Craftsmen Gallery.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

For glossy copies of photos appearing in this edition, please call Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053. If Jack is out, please leave a message on his answering service so he can return your call promptly. Please note that Jack has all the negatives

FIRE-WISE

by Rusty Jenks - Agawam Fire Chief

Holiday Decorations Cheer The Soul

Holidays often bring cheerful holiday decorations into our homes. But the Agawam Fire Department cautions you to be sure those festive ornaments are safe.

Every year, thousands of holiday tragedies strike when the festivities overtake common sense and ordinary caution. Don't let your family end the holidays in tears.

Paper and fabric decorations can burn, and, if used, should be kept well away from any sources of heat or flame. That means any decoration that might burn should be at least three feet away from furnaces, space heaters, woodstoves, and fireplaces.

Candles should never be used near flammable decorations, including evergreen cuttings and trees. Even "live" trees will engulf an entire room with flames (in minutes). Certainly, despite the temptation of tradition, never burn candles on a holiday tree. And never leave burning candles unattended for even a moment, or allow children to play near open flames.

Holiday trees must be fresh. Live trees with root balls must be kept well-watered. Cut trees must be fresh when purchased, and not kept too long after purchase. To test a tree for freshness, grasp a branch between thumb and forefinger and pull the hand along the branch. The needles should feel soft and springy; few should drop off the branch.

Immediately before placing a cut tree in its stand, make a fresh cut across the trunk about an inch above the existent cut. Without this cut, the tree cannot "drink" to maintain its freshness and will dry out dangerously fast. Place a tree in a stand that will hold ample water to keep the tree fresh. Water daily or whenever the stand's water reservoir is empty. If once allowed to become dry, the tree will seal off its trunk with sap and will not be able to drink anymore. This will make it immediately unsafe.

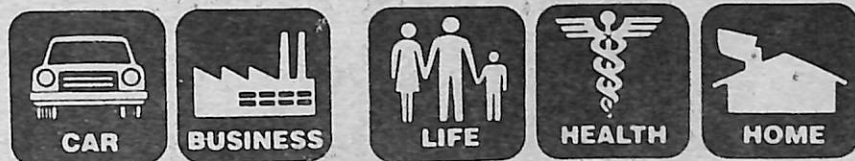
As soon as a tree feels dry, discard it. A dry tree can ignite easily and will be fully-inflamed in seconds. A burning tree gives off tremendous heat and will burn an entire room in less than two minutes. The pleasure given by the holiday tree must give way to common sense when the tree becomes dry.

Don't block doorways or hallways with your tree. If a fire breaks out, you will need every route to an exit. Leave nothing to chance.

Use only UL-approved electric light strings. **Outside, use only lights approved for outdoor use.** Never overload electrical circuits. Use extension cords and multi-plug taps with extreme caution. Remember, there is a good reason why most electrical outlets have only two taps. Overloading electrical circuits in a home overheats wiring and can cause fires, without warning.

There is no "good" time for a fire, but the holiday are the worst possible time. Keep your home and family safe this holiday season. Your Agawam Fire Department wishes you a joyous and safe holiday season.

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Rotary District Governor Honors Ray Pieczarka



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT GOVERNOR Rodney Hauser presents Agawam Rotarian Raymond Pieczarka with the prestigious "Paul Harris Award" at a dinner at Chez Josef honoring the 10th anniversary of Agawam Rotary. Thirteen charter members attended the affair. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM ROTARY'S "PAUL HARRIS AWARD WINNER," Raymond Pieczarka (center), pictured with Rotary District Governor Rodney Hauser (left), and his wife, Toni Pieczarka, at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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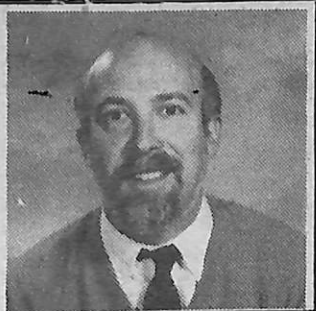
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Ulcers And Stress

Dear Mr. Sobel: You were right! Your recent talk show on 56 WHYN-AM radio was just what I needed. Your practical advice and some of the questions callers had really hit home.

I do have one question for you about stomach ulcers, which I still do not understand.

How can an ulcer be caused by stress if I think stress is a physical condition, and not a mental one? I don't have an ulcer now, but I know of several people who have had them. Thank you!

K.Q., Agawam

Answer: This is a question that I'm sure many people have! When some people are under a great deal of mental pressure or anxiety for a sustained period of time, the result can be the development of an ulcer.

Briefly, stress causes many hormonal imbalances which lead to too many juices being produced in the digestive system.

Too many of these acids (that are used to digest your food) too often lead to weakness in the membranes of your digestive track. If the membranes continue to weaken, then a hole (ulcer) in one of the walls becomes a greater possibility.

Some people respond to drugs and "bland" diets in the treatment of an ulcer. There are many cases where drugs and diet are not that effective.

The learning of specific stress reduction techniques may be in order at this point to help deal with the ulcer. I always feel it's best to learn stress reduction techniques prior to the development of an ulcer!

Remember, stress is a mental and physical condition that can affect anyone, regardless of age, sex, family background, etc. It is how you learn to cope with it that is most vital. Thank you for the question.

N.E.I.S.M. UPDATE: Recently, a national research panel has said that "chronic exposure to tobacco smoke is harmful to young children and also increases the risks of lung cancer among nonsmoking adults."

For more detailed information on this, feel free to write to me at the address below. Have a good day! (Include your name and address please).

This topic was discussed somewhat in a previous column.

Steven N. Sobel, director of The New England Institute for Stress Management, East Longmeadow, will be offering intensive, one-hour sessions during the month of December that are geared to help employees of all types of businesses and organizations learn how to better deal with "Holiday Stress."

These will be on-site presentations. Sobel can be reached at N.E.I.S.M., 132 Shaker Road, East Longmeadow, MA, 01028, 525-6652. Sobel is the writer of a regular column called "Managing Your Stress" that appears in this paper.

A PART OF LIFE

by Peter Forastiere
Colonial Funeral Home



Grief Work Begins With The Funeral Director

A funeral director is the individual who organizes and sets the stage for the grief therapy experience. That grief therapy experience is the funeral and all that is associated with the funeral. Throughout our lives, an individual will grieve for many different reasons.

These grief experiences which one encounters are not all related to death. The common bearer of all grief is separation, loss, or loneliness. A child grieves when he breaks or loses a toy; an adolescent, when a friend moves out of the neighborhood; and an adult when their marriage ends in divorce. This means by which one copes with their physical and emotional loss is called "grief work."

A funeral director becomes involved with people at the infancy of grief. There is no one else who has to deal with death in a more direct, intense, and compact period of time than a funeral director.

His greatest contribution to the bereaved, besides the funeral service duties which he performs, is a listening ear and sympathetic guidance. At times, the funeral director is looked upon as the professional with all the answers. God knows, we don't have them!

With positive reinforcement and attentive listening and understanding, the funeral director allows the bereaved to formulate their own decisions, whether it be the physical funeral arrangement, or just emotionally picking up the pieces of a shattered life.

The easiest stages of grief work is during the funeral and visiting hours. This is when the grieving have the most support from friends, relatives, and professionals. The support given the family through expressions of

floral and memorial offerings, visitations by friends and relatives, and positive conversations about the deceased not only helps pass the time quickly, but prevents the bereaved from denying the death. The impact of the tragedy of death may take a few minutes or a few days. Denial of death is common. The acceptance of reality is easier to realize in the atmosphere of the wake and funeral.

After the funeral, the rush of attention and condolences is over, the children have returned to their own separate lives. The real period of adjustment or grief work begins. It was so much easier to use the funeral and friends as a crutch to deal with the emotional upheaval.

Now, one must cope on one's own. This is important. Being alone and allowed to think privately can lead to personal acceptance and eventually move toward healing the wounds.

As important as it is to have some private time to yourself, too much of it can also be difficult to bear. The days can become long and lacking in purpose when one's spouse is gone, or the child with whom your life revolved around has died.

This readjustment to a new life can be difficult (if not impossible) to do totally on your own. A few may be able to accomplish this, but the majority need guidance and support.

There are many variables that determine how one can deal with the life changes that have been thrust upon them. They are your age, health, financial security, where you live, your ethnic and religious background, and also whether you have children or outside employment.

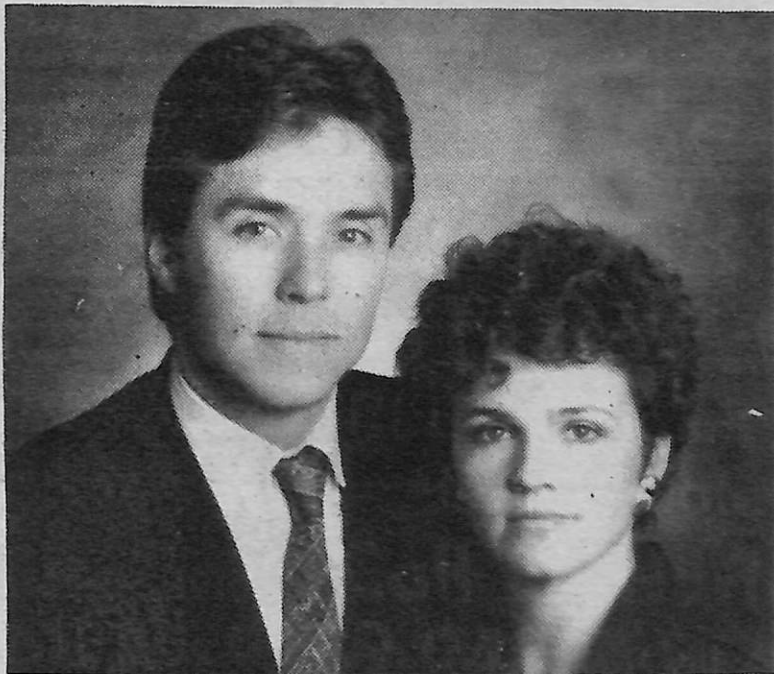
No matter what age the bereaved is, it is always important to realize there is a lot of living still left to do. To achieve this, one must develop the proper mental attitude. Through a combination of supportive people that surround the bereaved, as well as the individual's own desire to successfully deal with the change of life, a difference between a life of just existing or actually living can be realized.

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Channel 57 Has Wide Variety Of Christmas Programming To Please Entire Family

A festival of Christmas specials will air during the month of December on Channel 57, beginning with "A Christmas Special With Luciano Pavarotti," Friday, December 5th, at 9:00 p.m.

Recorded in Montreal's dramatic Notre Dame Cathedral, Pavarotti sings such favorites as "Ave Maria," Bizet's "Agnus Dei," and Franck's "Panis Angelicus."

Featured with Pavarotti are the Les Petits Chanteurs du Mont-Royal Canadian boys choir, and Les Disciples de Massenet adult chorus, who will lift the tempo with a rousing rendition of the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's "Messiah," and a bilingual version of "Silent Night."

"Christmas at Pops" presents everyone's favorites when The Vienna Boys Choir and the Tanglewood Festival Chorus join conductor John Williams, Wednesday, December 10th, at 7:00 p.m., for a festive holiday celebration.

The musical program offers holiday treats for every member of the family, with such Christmas classics as "Adeste Fideles," "Silent Night," and "The Little Drummer Boy." Program highlights include a visit from Santa and the traditional sing-along.

"Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and Shirley Verrett" will be a treat for the eye as well as the ear, with a performance of traditional and popular holiday classics airing Thursday, December 11th, at 9:00 p.m. Amid pine boughs, poinsettias, and gleaming organ pipes, opera singer Shirley Verrett joins the 325 voices of the world-renowned choir in Salt Lake City's Temple Square for a performance of traditional Christmas music.

"Christmas Eve on Sesame Street" is a one-hour family Christmas special featuring the Sesame Street cast, Jim Henson's Muppets, and skaters from "Holiday on Ice."

Big Bird attempts to uncover the secret of how Santa gets down "all those little chimneys," and Oscar the Grouch tries to put a damper on Big Bird's investigations. Everyone on the block joins in the entertainment, Tuesday, December 16th, at 7:00 p.m., for wonderful Christmas entertainment.

"A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols" is a traditional English holiday service from King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England, and tells the story of Christmas in Bible readings and Christmas music.

The body of the program will present the service itself, revealing the splendor of the 15th century chapel and the interaction between the 30-voice choir, readers, and congregation. "A Festival of Nine Lessons

and Carols," will be shown on Channel 57 at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 24th.

A holiday perennial returns with Mikhail Baryshnikov and Gelsey Kirkland in the enchanting American Ballet Theatre production of "The Nutcracker," Wednesday, December 10th, at 8:00 p.m.

Baryshnikov's treatment of this holiday classic has been described as highly original. Most interpretations seen in America today are performed largely by children, for children. Baryshnikov, however, has created a version of "The Nutcracker" danced entirely by adults, without losing sight of the fairy tale quality that has appealed to generations of ballet lovers.

"The Nutcracker" tells the story of a young girl named Clara, who is given a wooden nutcracker as a Christmas present by her Godfather. The nutcracker is transformed into a handsome prince, who takes Clara away into a realm of magic and fantasy until, with the coming of dawn, she is returned to her "real" world.

"James Galway's Christmas Carol" immediately follows "The Nutcracker," Wednesday, December 10th, at 9:30 p.m. Internationally famed flutist James Galway is joined by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra, the Ambrosian Singers of London, and the Boy Chorists of St. Alban's Abbey in Hertfordshire, England, for a gala performance of traditional and lesser-known Christmas carols.

Included are performances of "Greensleeves," "Ave Marie," "Sheep May Safely Graze," and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

"Robert Shaw's Christmas Festival" sets the joy of the season to music. America's choral master, Robert Shaw, conducts the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and its 200-voice chorus in this special program of holiday music. Singalong with the hymns, carols, and classical favorites from around the world, including "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing," "Deck the Halls," and many other selections. "Robert Shaw's Christmas Festival" will be aired Wednesday, December 24th, at 9:00 p.m.

The pageantry and color of the Nativity story will come to life in Johann Sebastian Bach's "Christmas Oratorio," which will air in two parts Christmas Day, at 12:30 and 2:00 p.m.

This "Great Performance Special," which celebrates the holiday season, features the Concentus Musicus of Vienna under its noted conductor Nikolaus Harnoncourt and music performed on antique instruments to closely recreate the sounds as Bach would have heard them. Soloists are tenor Peter Schreier and bass Robert Holl. Also featured is the Tolzer Boys Choir of Munich.

Holiday Antiques & Collectibles At Big E

The Maven Company of Waterbury has announced that it will conduct the First Annual New England Holiday Antiques & Collectibles Gift Show, Saturday, December 13th and Sunday, December 14th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The show will be held in the New England Building at The Eastern States Exposition Center, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield.

With 94 booths, this show promises to have a most diverse selection of antiques and collectibles merchandise geared for holiday gift-giving. Dealers will be coming from all over the Eastern half of the nation to exhibit.

Items such as art glass, antique books, bread boards and kitchen collectibles, china, antique clocks, pocket watches, and wrist watches, crystal, furniture, jewelry, items of royalty, linens, lamps, oil paintings, orientalia, paperweights, porcelains, post cards, primitives, prints, sterling, stoneware, teddy bears, tins, toys, trains, vintage clothing, and much, much more, will be available.

Each hour during the show, a drawing will be held and gift certificates will be awarded to be used at any booth in the show. MasterCard and Visa will be honored by participating dealers through The Maven Company's charge card plan. Admission to the show will be only \$1.50 with ample free parking.

Art Of John J. Wiley, Jr. Now On Display At Library

The Agawam Presents Art Program, sponsored by the Agawam Public Library and the Agawam Arts and Humanities Council, will have in attendance artist John J. Wiley, Jr., of Feeding Hills, Monday, December 15th.

Wiley's watercolors will be on display for the month of December in the Agawam Public Library gallery.

The public is invited to meet and view Wiley's art Monday night, December 15th, between the hours of 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be served.

Agawam Arts Council Stages Another "First Friday"

The Agawam Arts & Humanities Council will sponsor "An Evening With J.S. Bach, Gregory Hayes, harpsichord, Friday, December 5th, at 7:30 p.m.

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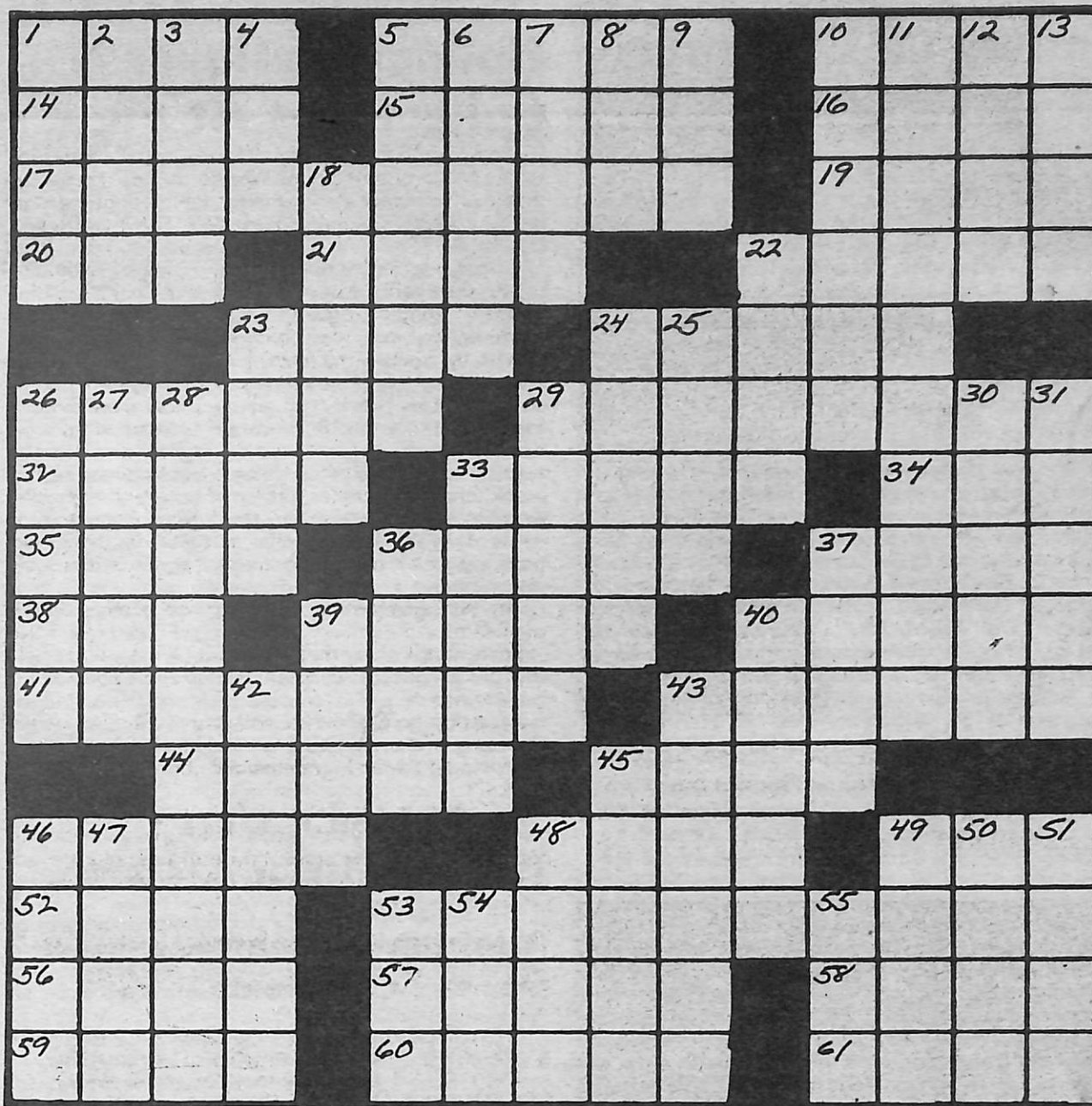


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Let's Talk Travel

by Julie Mercadante
Fugazy Travel



Boston: A Great City

"Trot Trot to Boston; Trot Trot to Lynn; be careful going over the bridge that you don't fall in!" Ever bounce a toddler on your knees and recite this nursery rhyme?

If you're thinking of getting away for a weekend but don't want to spend most of your time traveling, Boston's a great city to "trot" to.

I recently had the opportunity to spend a weekend in Boston with that group of crazy ladies known as the "Sesame Seeds." The main purpose of the trip was to indulge in a favorite hobby, shopping and dining. As the only travel agent in the group, I'm usually appointed tour guide; for better or for worse.

One of the arrangements I scored high marks for was arranging for a chauffeured van to transport the 14 of us to and from "Bean Town." Refreshments en route consisted of Bloody Marys and crackers and cheese. Most of our two days there were spent shopping, but if that's not your cup of tea, there's a multitude of things to do in Boston.

Boston becomes vibrant during the Christmas Season, which is one of my favorite times to visit. The hustle and bustle of shoppers trying to find just the "right" gift, the beautifully decorated streets and stores, and Christmas Carolers on street corners, all add to the excitement of being there.

During the summer you can take one of several harbor cruises or relax on a Swan Boat on the Boston Common Pond.

At any time you can take in a sports event or visit a museum. The Science Museum and the Aquarium are great places for the young and the young at heart. The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum is an exception among museums in that it is the achievement of one person whose purpose was not to educate, but to create an atmosphere for the enjoyment of flowers, music, and art.

This attraction has been on my list of things to see in Boston for so long that the newspaper clipping on the history of the museum that originally caught my interest is becoming yellow with age. Every trip, something else takes precedence (like shopping), but one day I will get there.

You can view the city from the top of the Prudential Tower, walk the Freedom Trail, take a Gray Line tour where you can learn about Boston's historic landmarks (children under 12 are free), visit Quincy Market, or take in the JFK library.

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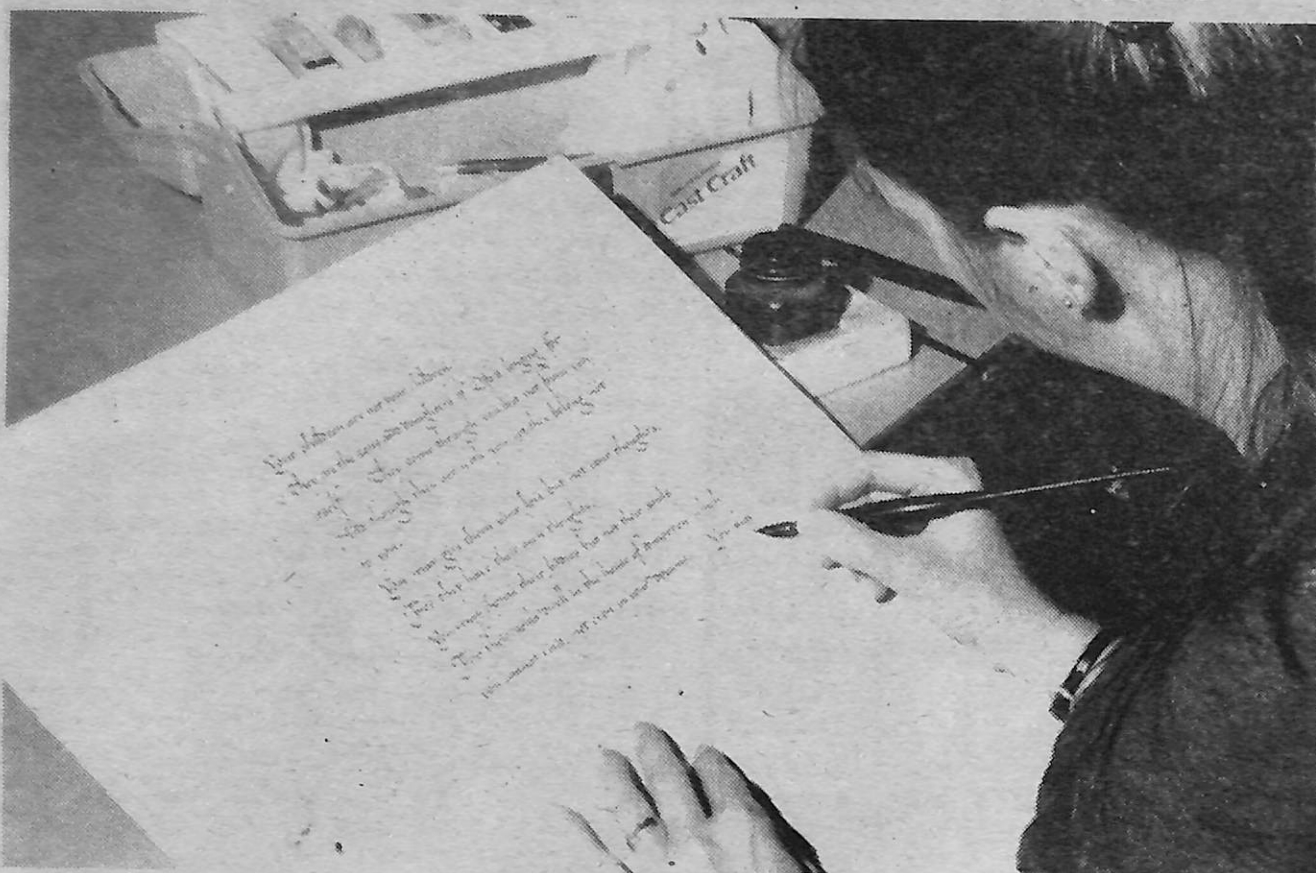
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Winter Courses At Smith Art Museum



CALLIGRAPHY WILL BE DEMONSTRATED, as well as other arts, at Open House, Sunday, December 7th, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., at The School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. Art courses such as calligraphy will be offered for the winter season at the museum. Walk-in registration will be held Sunday, as well as Tuesday, December 9th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.



POTTERY WILL BE DEMONSTRATED, as well as other arts, at an Open House, Sunday, December 7th, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., at the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. Besides the demonstrations, visitors can discuss their ideas and feelings about art with 15 faculty members who will be on hand in the galleries and studios. The museum is located on the Quadrangle.

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LET'S TALK TRAVEL - From Page 28...

If you're interested in seeing a show, the Thursday edition of the *Boston Globe* has an entertainment section announcing current and future attractions. If there are no major shows playing when you go, consider seeing "Shear Madness," a mystery comedy with some audience participation. It's been playing for about 15 years and I found it enjoyable—I've had the occasion to see it twice.

The Bostix Booth at Quincy market offers half-price tickets for available shows on the day of the performance. On my recent trip with the *Sesame's*, we took in the Park Plaza Hotel revue called "Forbidden Broadway."

If I acquired high marks as tour conductor with the chauffeured van, I lost them all getting the group to the theatre. Two cabs made it to the right hotel, the third (mine) ended up at the wrong destination per my instructions. There were a few anxious moments when the other cabs didn't arrive—and I thought they were lost. Well, now I know there are two Park Plaza Hotels, thankfully, within walking distance of each other.

Hotels in Boston are not inexpensive, but we can always shop around for the best rate. Our group stayed at the Back Bay Hilton, which was very nice. If we had spent Monday afternoon in the hotel lobby, we probably would have seen some celebrities, as many were checking in for the World Series game the following day.

Our last stop before departing for home was the Legal Seafood Restaurant, one of my favorites. They serve a variety of fresh seafood, but the best part is the chocolate-covered ice cream bon bons that they serve for dessert.

My shopping expedition was very successful. You'll know why when you see me on a cold, blustery day and I'm nice and warm—**Ethel made me do it!** Thanks Ethel.

JOTS FROM JULIE: I'm still waiting to hear from some of you with your "Fantasy Flights." When this paper comes off the press, I'll be in Las Vegas—just getting information for another column (and hoping to get lucky at the slots).

Agawam Hi-Lighters Schedule Dance For December 12th

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance, Friday, December 12th, at Valley Community Church, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, at 8:00 p.m. Bob Turnbull will be the caller and Linn Case will cue the rounds.

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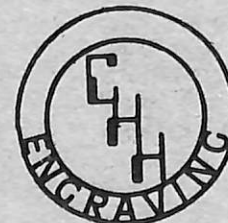


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COLOR GUARD MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING MOHAWKS in performance at Harmon Smith Field. Kneeling are Jennifer MacNamee, Kim Satkowski, and Claudine Nofall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DISPLAYING THE HARDWARE won at last weekend's Quincy Christmas Parade are Marching Mohawk members, from left - Joe Bourbonnais, David Ziegert, Melissa Martin, and Linda Burnett. The band placed first in both Massachusetts and New England. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS BAND WINS - From Page 1...

Special awards for best music and best percussion were taken by the Sheppard Hill Regional High School of Charlton-Dudley, who placed third in Division III with 82.3. Abington placed second with 86.9, and Agawam's overall score was 87.8.

Winner of the Small Band Division was David Prouty High School of Spencer. East Bridgewater took the honors in Division II. Although close to the top in music and percussion, Agawam's best point spreads came in the visual and overall effect areas.

Other high schools participating in the championship event included Milford, Plymouth/Carver, Milton, Douglas, Southbridge, Holbrook, Somerville, North Quincy, Fairhaven, Pittsfield, Franklin, Marshfield, Bedford, Haverhill, and Lawrence.

Marching Mohawk Director Darcy Davis expressed appreciation for the assistance of Scott Thomson (senior high band director) and Tamara Watson (junior high and middle school director) during the evening and weekend rehearsals, as well as activities during the fall season. Band parent Ann Twarog also took charge of the new and expanded Honor Guard, in the areas of both equipment and instruction.

Davis also commented that if there ever were to be an award for "Best Band Parents' Group," there would be no question that Agawam would rank tops in that area.

"The band has never performed anywhere this year without at least 20 parents assisting, and even Saturday morning and evening rehearsals have found an abundant number on hand," said Davis.

The parents' group is headed by James Martone, with Ann Twarog as vice-president; Joanne Tourville, treasurer; and Barbara Connery, secretary.

Many parents have also headed important committees and functions: Dee Ziegert, uniforms; Gary St. Hill and David Carpenter, Exposition Parking and Paper Drive, as well as driving the equipment truck loaned by Thorpe's Office Supply; Bev LaFerriere, pictures and lunches; Connie Andry and Mrs. Martone, special projects.

"The list goes on and on. Many thanks to Jim Manning for making a new drum major's podium and flag box, and all of the parents who have given so much time and effort. We will mention them in a future article," Davis concluded.

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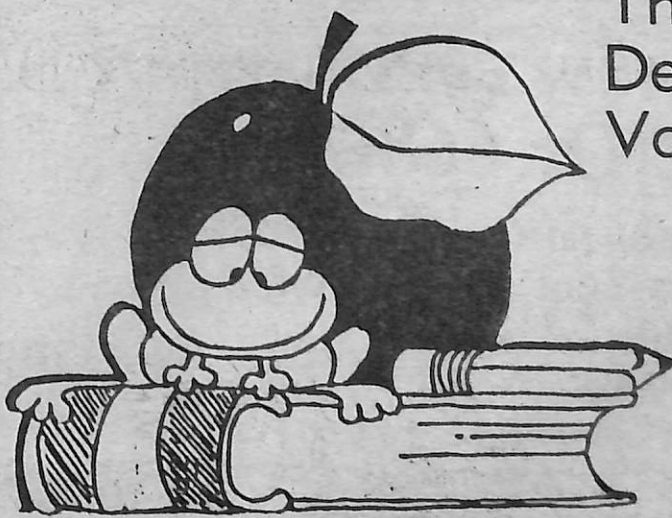
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AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING MOHAWK trumpet soloists **Steve Kallipolites** (left) and **Scott St. Hill** have a brief moment of reprieve during recent performance at **Harmon Smith Field**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Special Ed Director To Meet With PAC

John Brosnan, director of Special Education in the Agawam schools, will be the guest at the next meeting of the Parents Advisory Council for Special Needs Children.

Brosnan will be available to answer parents questions and to discuss concerns they may have regarding special education.

This important meeting will take place December 9th in the Community Room at the Agawam Public Library, at 9:30 a.m.

All parents of children involved in special education are encouraged to attend.

Suffield Academy Welcomes Prospective Student Cand.

An admissions reception will be held December 8th, at 7:00 p.m., in the S. Kent Legare Library at Suffield Academy, Suffield, to share with interested, prospective students and parents in an informal presentation of the school, including a multi-media show highlighting the recent 150th Anniversary Celebration.

Headmaster Kenneth I. Lindfors and representatives of the Suffield faculty and student body will be present to answer questions. Those interested are urged to contact the Admissions Office at Suffield Academy for further details, 1-203-668-7315.



MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL Academic Decathlon Team who recently won third place honors at the **Western Mass. Academic Decathlon Competition** are, from left (back), **Melissa Martin**, advisor **Lawrence O'Brien** (advisor), **Lynn Litchfield** (assistant advisor), **Tom DeNardo**, and **Owen Broadhurst**. Front row - **Jeff MacKechnie**, **Michelle Blanchard**, **Deidre Murphy**, and **David Payne**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam High Academic Decathlon Team Places Third At Western Mass. Competition

by **Alexis Feroli**
School Dept. Editor

Participating in Olympic-style competition, eight Agawam High School students won third place honors in the Second Annual Western Massachusetts Academic Decathlon, at Pittsfield High School, November 15th.

The top four scorers, Pittsfield, Cathedral, Agawam, and Mt. Greylock Regional High Schools, will advance to state level competition in Cambridge February 7th.

The four Western Mass. schools will vie with 12 Eastern Mass. winners for the right to represent the Commonwealth at the national finals, in Dallas, April 25th.

The top three schools each earned trophies, while medals were given to the top three individual winners in each event.

Designed to promote and reward academic achievement, the Academic Decathlon was developed in 1968 and became a national event in 1982.

Basically a contest, the event encompasses 10 academic areas and follows the guidelines of a sporting event.

AHS decathlon advisor Lawrence O'Brien points out that each school selects three teams comprised of two "A" students, two "B" students, two "C" students, and two alternates whose scores are used only when another team member does not compete in an event.

All contestants must participate in all 10 events. Written multiple choice tests encompass economics, language, literature, fine arts, mathematics, science, and history.

In addition to a written essay, a three-minute im-

promptu speech and an interview are mandatory.

O'Brien reports that the day-long event culminates with a super quiz, consisting of six rounds of questions and answers.

O'Brien says that he is pleased with Agawam's third place finish out of a field of 15 schools. He relates that several teams from schools such as Pittsfield High, which won last year's Western Mass. competition, meet daily as a class to review and research study materials.

In contrast, AHS team members meet weekly.

Besides O'Brien, who aided the team with English questions, other AHS faculty members who assisted with their particular field of expertise included Lynn Litchfield, economics; Joseph Zabielski, history; and Scott Thomson, music.

Team captain Michelle Blanchard reports that she and her fellow team members will continue their research, especially in fine arts, for the upcoming state competition.

Moreover, team members will concentrate on improving weaknesses in their own individual weak areas, he notes.

Last year, Newton North High School represented Massachusetts in the national finals in Los Angeles.

Members of the 1986-87 decathlon team include seniors Michelle Blanchard, Tom DeNardo, Melissa Martin, Deidre Murphy, David Payne, as well as juniors Jeff MacKechnie, John Welch, and Owen Broadhurst.

Steve Chiarizio On Dean's List At Wentworth Institute

Steven Chiarizio of Agawam was named to the Dean's List for scholastic achievement during the summer semester of the academic period for co-op education students, Dr. Edward T. Kirkpatrick, Wentworth Institute president announced today.

Chiarizio is a mechanical engineering major at Wentworth.

Parents' Night At High School Rescheduled For December 10

Due to bad weather early this week, the Agawam High School has rescheduled its Parents' Night for Wednesday, November 10th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Faculty members will be on hand to discuss students' progress and subject matter at this time.

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Phelps Early Childhood Program Celebrates

by Alexis Ferioli
School Dept. Editor

Thanksgiving was celebrated two days early at Phelps School by four and five year-old Early Childhood Program students of Chris Delude.

Wearing Indian feathered headdresses, beaded necklaces, and colorful face paint, 15 "braves and squaws" participated in a mock celebration of our country's first Thanksgiving Day.

Accompanied by their parents, students sampled variations of foods prevalent during colonial times.

School Principal William Miller began the early-morning festivities by welcoming parents and saying grace.

Among the various food items prepared by Early Childhood team members and parents were turkey sandwiches, potato salad, cranberry bread, fruits, vegetables, apple pie, and juices.

Following the holiday feast, students entertained their parents by singing "I'm A Little Indian" and recounting the tale of *Tommy Turkey*.

Mrs. Delude points out that for the past few weeks, students have discussed the importance of both family and sharing.

Moreover, various foods grown, hunted, and raised by both Pilgrims and Indians were reviewed.

She explains that although she has initiated the project in the past, this was the first year parents were invited to join in the holiday celebration.

Also on hand for the festivities were Assistant Director of Special Educational Services, Patricia Sakellis, Speech Therapist Mary Ellen Berselli, and Assistant Teacher Mikie Cook.



AT PHELPS SCHOOL LAST WEEK, those involved in the Early Childhood Program celebrated Thanksgiving two days early. The classroom teacher was Chris Delude. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Cub Scout Troop 77 Thanksgiving Program



CUB SCOUT PACK 77 of St. John's Church celebrated Thanksgiving with a program November 25th. From left - Jamie Raynor, Shawn Dumas, Steve Martin, Todd Smelstor, Scott Belisle, Brian DeNardo, Chris Rheame, and Jeff Daigneau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menus

Monday, December 8th: Pizza with cheese and tomato sauce topping, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled pineapple tidbits, milk.

Tuesday, December 9th: Oven baked chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, buttered peas and carrots, mayonnaise and honey, jello with whip topping, milk.

Wednesday, December 10th: Hamburg in roll, sliced cheese, mustard, relish, catsup, spiced apple sauce, broccoli cuts in garlic butter, chocolate cake with vanilla icing, milk.

Thursday, December 11th: Meatballs in sauce, buttered macaroni, green beans, Italian bread and butter, chilled peaches in syrup, milk.

Friday, December 12th: Tomato and macaroni soup, tuna salad sali boat, oven potato puffs, catsup, applesauce fig bars, milk.

AHS Hockey Boosters Have Open Meeting

The Agawam High School Hockey Booster Club will be holding an open meeting, Sunday, December 7th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Polish Club. The high school coaches will be present.

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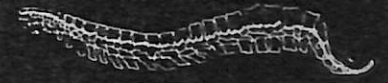
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Krysten Godfrey, Shelley Grassetti, Derrick Gregor, Jeffrey Hebert, Catherine Hill, Jeremy Hill, Bryan Hollister, Tonda Hudson, Katie Hudzikiewicz, Andrew Jacobus, Scott Korvek, Daniel LaBreck, Amy LaPlante, Jennifer LeBlanc, Michael Leary, Michael Lorge, Joseph Loudfoot, Kimberly Macey, Anthony Magnacca, Silvan Manes, John Manzi, Amy Marcotte, Samantha Martin, Sheila Martin, Kathryn McCarthy, and Julie Milici.

Anne Mineo, Steven Moccio, Steven Morse, Michael Natale, Wendy O'Dea, Aaron Orsucci, Amy Paradysz, Melissa Parentela, James Parolo, Lannette Pelley, Michael Poggi, Lana Quintal, Tracy Ralph, Jill Robb, Anthony Santore, Rita Scala, Shannon Scarlett, Christie Scheve, Dawn Smelstor, Dylan Sousa, Melissa Sprandel, Tammy Tetrault, Sherry Tetreault, Jennifer Thompson, Andrew Turcotte, Erica Vanderhoof, Holly Vassallo, Sean Wandrei,

Tammy Washburn, Sharon Ziegert.

SIXTH GRADE: Sandra Angotti, Bridget Barnes, Jean Marie Bartholomeu, Sheri Bednarzyk, Karen Beltrandi, Laura Bielitz, Karen Bottasso, Richard Brown, Brian Brunelle, Robert Buoniconti, Cara Carter, Jesse Casinghino, Sara Cellilli, Andrea Cichetti, William Clark, Joy Ann Conte, Charles Copson III, Elizabeth Cornwell, Addie Dimare, Michael Dobise, Christopher Dudek, Christina Dutton, Kristin Gallerani, Karen Gregory, Michael Gusek, Kathleen Harris, Christopher Hayes, Tracy Hayes, Jeffrey Henderson, Stacey Johnson, and Jennifer Jorgensen.

Ashlie Joseph, Kerry Klett, Edward LaLancette, Brian Lepper, Stephen Lewis, Jessica Liptak, Kerry Longto, Stephanie Mason, Michael McKenna, Elizabeth McNamee, Lisa Messenger, Gina Milillo, Christine Mineo, Daniel Montagna, Lynn Moreau, Susan Nickerson, Diana Nolin, Theresa Ogorzalek, Jason Palivoda, Vincent Petrangelo II, Holly Pevzner, Kevin Pirnie, Daniel Pryce, Scott Rapacki, Raymond Rossi, Vincent Russo, Luis Savina, Amy Scalise, Shawn Skelly, Kathleen Stack, Michele Sweeney, Matthew Toczko, Joshua Tudryn, Gretchen Vogel, Sharon Waite, Areecia Ward, Rachael White, Lubna Yousef, David Zielinski.

Agawam Junior High School HONOR ROLL

EIGHTH GRADE: Nancy Altobelli, Roya Bahrehmand, Elizabeth Bergeron, Christina Bianca, Shannon Bielitz, Linda Bouchard, Jennifer Brittain, Derek Casinghino, Jennifer Cavanaugh, Jean Chmielecki, Joy Clark, Bryan Connery, Christine Crowley, Ronald Daignault, Monica Davio, Katrina Debonville, Michelle Desilets, Teresa Desmarais, Carrie Gallagher, Philip Gaylor, Karin Guistimbelli, Amy Hauser, Jennifer Jock, Grace Krajewski, and Vicky Laflamme.

Denise Landry, Alison Lingley, Heidi MacWilliams, Maura Martin, Dorothea Mazeika, Matthew McLean, Clark Messenger, Theresa Moccio, Amy Modzelewski, Brian Montagna, Kristen Palazzi, Suzanne Park, Tracy Pevzner, David Piacentini, Jeffrey Pirro, Eric Plyler, Aimee Racicot, Kristi Rapacki, Jennifer Rosner, Marc Scortino, Amy Scott, Carolyn Tremblay, William Vogel, Cindy Zielinski.

NINTH GRADE: Scott Anderson, Stacy Boliski, Melissa Brown, Michelle Ciborowski, David R. Clark, Michael Cook, Lisa Cosgrove, Cheryl Czepiel, Jennifer Daubney, Lisa Davies, Aimee Davignon, David Dean, Kristin Dilizia, Scott Dinsmore, James Dion, Michelle Elliott, Heather Gay, Michael Gillette, Alana Graham, Christine Guiel, Karen Hanson, Rachel Hyland, Trinity Kagen, Matthew Kane, Elizabeth Krajewski, Nicole Lapalme, Judith Llewellyn, Christopher Mahoney, and Meggan Martin.

Dianne McLean, Charles Hoffman, Cathline Moore, Hans Mueller, Barbara Murphy, Tammy Nardi, Caludine Nofall, Maureen O'Keefe, Stephen Palazzi, Gerald Parrotta, David Pisano, Allan Porowski, Emanuel Poulos, Wendy Pudlo, Kristen Radtke, John Regish, Melissa Rinaldi, Jennifer Robinson, Eric Rose, Karen Runshaw, Martin Santaniello, Jennifer Scaggs, David Sheehan, Karen Stuart, Lori Tietze, Tara Vivenzio, Irene Walker, Tara Walsh, Jason Wooley, Amy Zielinski, Lori Zukowski.

St. Thomas School HONOR ROLL

First Honors:

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Leslie Bennett, Elyn Hitas
Christopher Christian, Nicole Ferraro

Second Honors:

Timothy Christian, Sara Kendall
Samantha Davison
Michael Flynn, William Greenway, Jason Malek
Laurie Gaudreau, Meghan Reynolds, Lisa Tassone

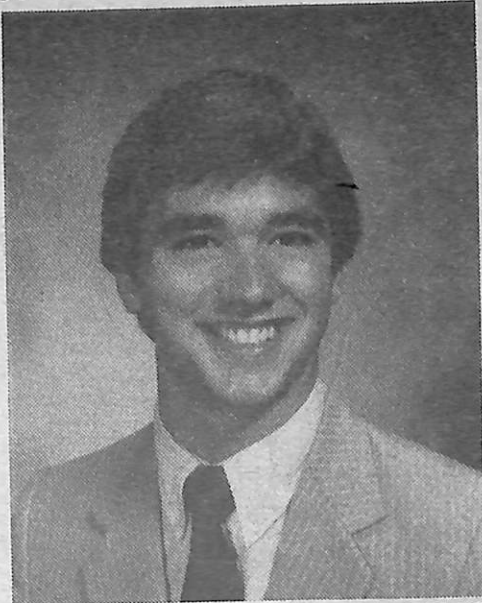
Third Honors:

Martin Golembiewski
Nova Bonzek, Susan Christian

Fourth Honors:

Jeffrey Kratovil
Michael Hanscom, Scott Sidusky
Dennis Egan

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ANTHONY J. MASTROMATTEO

Anthony Mastromatteo Excels In Theatre At WPI

Anthony Joseph Mastromatteo, son of Lois Mastromatteo and the late Frank Mastromatteo, Jr., of 19 Harding Street, Agawam, has earned another laurel in his already impressive dramatic career at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester.

Anthony thrilled audiences with his streetwise, unrefined portrayal of Stanley Kowalski in Tennessee Williams' *A Streetcar Named Desire*, November 20th to 22th at WPI. He also delved into the technical staging by serving as production manager for the run of the show.

In the past, Anthony has performed as Joe Dimaggio in *Insignificance*; Sir Toby Belch in *Twelfth Night*; Richard Roma in *GlenGarry GlenRoss*; Mr. DiPinna in *You Can't Take It With You*; as well as roles in student-written shows.

Off stage, Anthony has directed a one-act student-written play, *Jan Always Taught Me How To Listen*, and collaborated with other student playwrights in writing and performing a one-act play, *Serendipity*.

Due to his achievements in the dramatic arts, Anthony is currently serving as president of the RHO KAPPA chapter of the Alpha Psi Omega Theatrical Honor Society at WPI for the 1986-1987 academic year. Anthony is a junior electrical engineering major. He is a graduate of Agawam High School.



AGAWAM TEACHER & SOUTHWICK SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER Priscilla Deveno and LPVEC Executive Director Dr. David Robin (center) pictured at recent statewide conference in Hyannis.

Priscilla Deveno Chairwoman Of LPVEC Committee At Statewide Conference

The Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative (LPVEC) recently participated in a panel discussion on collaboratives at the annual statewide Massachusetts Association of School Committees/Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents (MASC/MASS) Conference in Hyannis.

Agawam teacher and Southwick School Committee member Priscilla Deveno, vice chairwoman of the LPVEC, chaired the panel, and Dr. David H. Robin, executive director, reviewed the services offered by the LPVEC.

In addition to Mrs. Deveno and Dr. Robin, Michael S. O'Rourke, board chairman; Mary Driscoll, East Longmeadow board member; and Lillian St. Pierre, West Springfield board member, attended the panel discussion, along with Dr. Louis Josselyn, Southwick Schools' superintendent.

O'Rourke was impressed with the number of people who attended the panel discussion from across the state and the overall significance of the discussion:

"Thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Deveno, who is on the statewide Planning Committee, this presentation was made possible. It represents the first time that collaboratives have been afforded this opportunity. Dr. Robin delivered an excellent presentation and effectively answered follow-up questions.

"The very quality of the LPVEC programs and services which Dr. Robin spoke about is reflective of the strong leadership of the Board of Governors, school superintendents, and Dr. Robin, who work in a spirit of mutual cooperation. Noteworthy is the fact that Dr. Robin is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the LPVEC, and through successful grant writing, as an example, has contributed to the stability and growth of our organization," said O'Rourke.

LPVEC represents the seven member towns of Ludlow, Hampden-Wilbraham, East Longmeadow, Longmeadow, West Springfield, Agawam, and Southwick. It provides special and occupational education programming to these and other towns.

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Middle School PTO Sponsors 2nd Annual "Top 40 Dance"

by Alexis Ferioli
School Dept. Editor

The Agawam Middle School Parent Teacher Organization will sponsor the Second Annual "Top 40 Dance", Friday, December 12th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the school cafeteria.

Sixth and seventh grade students will be able to listen and dance to all of today's "hottest" sounds, as played by disc jockey Charlie Parker.

PTO president Kathleen Anspach points out that although not a fund-raising event, students will be charged an admission fee of \$1, which will cover disc jockey costs. Tickets will be sold in homerooms prior to the dance, she adds.

Besides refreshments, the holiday dance will feature several raffles throughout the evening.

"Since the purpose of the dance is solely fun, we thought students would enjoy trying to win inexpensive prizes," Mrs. Anspach remarks.

According to her, student participation at last year's event was tremendous.

"The students had a wonderful time and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We anticipate another large turnout for this year's dance," she states.

Mrs. Anspach relates that even though the event is well-chaperoned, parents should not leave their children at the school prior to 7:00 p.m.

"Last year, a few parents dropped-off their children early before going out for the evening. We cannot be responsible for these youngsters outside the school building prior to the dance. Therefore, we hope parents will wait until 7:00 p.m., before leaving their youngsters," she comments.

As a further safety precaution, students will be asked to sign contracts prior to the dance, stating that they will remain in the school building until their parents arrive to take them home.



AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO MEMBERS who are planning the upcoming "Top 40 Dance," Friday, December 12th, in the school's cafeteria, are, from left - Donna Rossi, Noreen Poole, Kathleen Anspach, Susan Jorgenson, Nancy Auger, Dee Nacewicz, and Kathy Vinesett. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Guidance Dept. Plans Financial Aid Night Dec. 16th

The Agawam High School Guidance Department will hold a Financial Aid Night, Tuesday, December 16th, at 7:00 p.m., in the high school cafeteria.

The guest speaker will be Lee Sirois, director of Financial Aid at American International College. He will outline the FAF (financial aid form) step-by-step; and he will also discuss other means of applying for financial aid.

The program is designed for the parents of seniors planning to continue their education after high school. The FAF (financial aid forms) will be available to

parents on Tuesday evening. Any other information regarding financial aid that the guidance office receives will be communicated to students via the guidance bulletin in the high school.

The program will last about two hours. The Guidance Department strongly recommends that parents of seniors attend this event since there have been some important changes in the FAF (financial aid form).

The FAF (financial aid form) cannot be completed until after January 1st, 1987.



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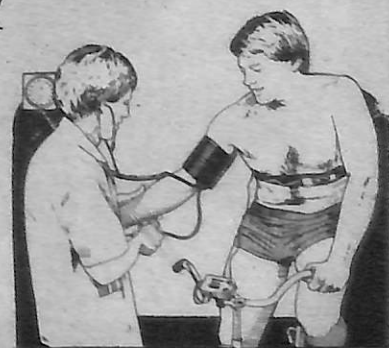


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"If I Lived In Colonial Times" JAMES CLARK SCHOOL Grade 2 - Laura Lewis, teacher

JENNIFER THERIAQUE

The boys stayed at school longer than the girls. If you got a problem wrong you would have to wear a hat called a dunce cap. You only one room in your house. In the summer the men had to shot three crows or ten black birds to protect the crops. They made houses out of logs. At church if you fell asleep a man would hit you on the head with a little round thing on the end of a pole and if he was nice he would tickle you with a feather. The Indians taught the Pilgrims how to plant some corn.

ELISA NEWMAN

My Mom used a spinning wheel. I slept on a trundle bed. My brother used a book from school call the horn-book. I couldn't fall asleep in church. My Dad cut down logs and built our house.

JAMES ANTICO

One day a boy had to wear a dunce cap. He had to wear it all day. He was sad. Everyone left for lunch but he didn't. He was very sad. When the teacher said to talk the dunce cap off he was happy. Pilgrims sailed on the Mayflower. They landed in Massachusetts. The Indians showed the pilgrims how to grow corn.

JILL LUNGARINI

The boat the pilgrims sailed on was little. the pilgrims made their own clothes. they even made butter. they had an oven next to thier fireplacs the baby slept in the cardle. they used candles for light.

AMY SCHNEIDER

I would eat corn and see Indian. On Sunday I would go to church. I would bake pies and have a feast. I then wash dishes. I would use a spinning wheel. The girls had to wear a hat all the time and the boy had to wear hats too. There was a trundle bed and a Jack-bed.

JON SWINDLE

I went fishing and hunting. Mom cooked over a fire. Dad chopped wood. He made a log house.

LUCAS TAYLOR

I was walking to my Grandfathers house but the night watchman got me. I said I was going to my Grandfathers house so he let me go and I went. The next day I went home and ate breakfast and played with Patience. Patience was making butter in the churn in the butter churn. I asked her if she wanted to play she said she wanted to play with her doll. I got my wooden horse. We played for a long time. Soon it was dinner time and I went home and ate dinner. After that it was bed time the next day I made breakfast and then read the primer and milked the cows and went to school for a long time. When I got home I chopped wood and brought it home. I hung my coat on the clothes pegs and sat by the fire place. Father got the musket down and the powder horn and I went to bed in the trundle-bed.

BREC HAYWARD

I had to make my own soap! I had to take a bath in a bucket. I had to spin on the spinning wheel. But we could still play games. When I was a baby I slept in a cradle. The only thing we could sit on is called a settle.

NICOLE BEAULIEU

I would wear red colors and blue. I would have to stand while I ate. And I could not talk either. I had to

walk to school, but I had a nice teacher.

We had to bring in firewood or you had to stand in the coldest corner in your class. I had to get up early in the morning.

CHRISTOPHER SULLIVAN

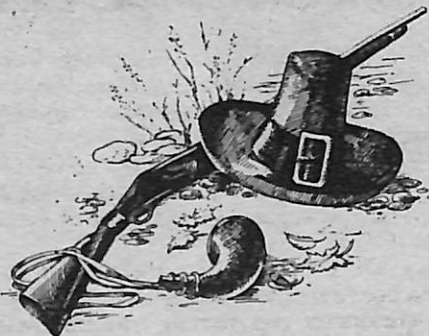
The tanner made leather from animal skns. The Pilgrims learned many things from the Indians. On Sunday the children do not play. The Pilgrims came on the Mayflower over to America. The boys stayed in school longer than the girls. The girls stayed home and helped their mother with her work. The men had to hunt animals. We made ink out of berries. In school if you were bad you had to wear a Dunce cap for a whole day. The Pilgrims and the Indians had a party and that lasted 3 days. Over the winter many Pilgrims died. The only day that the Pilgrims didn't work was Sunday. One law said they had to kill three crows or fifteen black birds.

LEAH ZURLINO

On Sunday I have to go to the Meeting House. I have to do all kinds of things. I learned how to plant corn. I had to sail on the Mayflower for eight weeks. My dad had to work hard. And I did too. We had to make soup too. I wore a long colored dress. We had many jobs to do. Gramma card the wool. I go to school. My brother goes to school longer then me. We are called the Pilgrims. My mom and dad slept sitting up. I have to sleep on a trundle-bed. When we do something wrong have to where a tall hat. Called the dunce cap.

CARMINE KEANE

I went to church on Sunday. When we ate the children had to stand eating. The parents slept on the Jackbed. There was no mail. There were no bathrooms. The children slept on the trundle bed. I went deer hunting. If we were bad in school the school master whipped us. If you fell asleep in church a guy with a pole and on the end of the pole was a ball he would bonk you off the head. And the only thing the children could sit, on was the settle. The boys pants only went down to there knees. and the pants were called breeches. And they had long socks. The Indians showed them almost every thing they needed to know.



Open House



JAMES CLARK SCHOOL PTO members Sue Andreuci and Pauline Spanilo supervised a table of goodies at a Parents' Open House, November 24th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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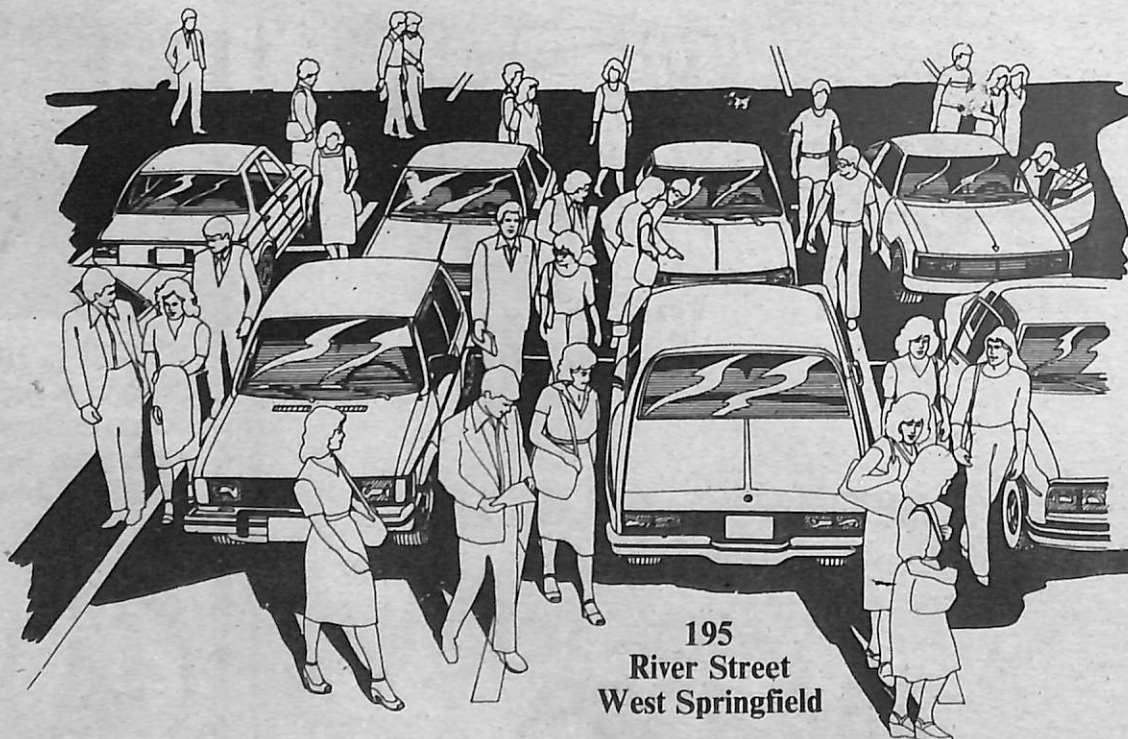
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Famous Mime Artist Delights Robinson Kids With One-Man Show

by Alexis Ferioli
School Dept. Editor

Robinson Park School students in grades one to five recently discovered that there is more to mime than just keeping quiet.

On Friday, November 21st, noted mime performer Trent Arterberry entertained students with his one-man educational production, entitled 'Pantograms.'

Presented over 1,000 times at elementary and junior high schools in the Greater Boston area, *Pantograms* introduces students to the classic art of pantomime by means of demonstration, performance, and audience participation.

Wearing white make-up, a red shirt, and white pants, Arterberry began his 45-minute program by moving and contorting his body in seemingly impossible patterns as he entered the school cafeteria.

Pointing out that mime is "communication without talking," he explained that a mime performer uses five parts of the body to create illusions. These are the head, neck, chest, hips, and waist.

Moreover, through the mastery of exercises, parts of the body become substitutions for objects portrayed in skits.

Next, Arterberry selected a student with whom he demonstrated the application of face make-up.

Two skits, "The Box" and "The Apple," were then performed to the delight of audience members.

A state representative for the American Lung Association, Arterberry related that he recently completed filming several anti-smoking commercials which will be aired on television in the near future.

Utilizing recorded music and narration, he then performed the story of Harry, a man who began smoking as a child.

Following a question and answer session, Arterberry concluded his program by performing a skit, featuring student participation.

Arterberry, who began his career 15 years ago in California, spends much of his time touring colleges, theaters, and arts festivals across the country.

After successfully completing two years training as an apprentice mime, he moved to Boston, appearing as a solo artist with the National Mime Theater.

Since that time, Arterberry has become one of the most popular and respected mime performers in the nation.

His performance credits include appearances at Radio City Music Hall, The Montreal Forum, The Palais de Beaux Arts in Belgium, and aboard the Queen Elizabeth II luxury liner.

Besides appearances at over 500 colleges and universities, Arterberry has appeared in several Western cities and towns through funding provided by the Western States Arts Foundation and Arts in Arizona towns.

A resident of Watertown, Arterberry continues to entertain youngsters at Massachusetts schools with his unique, one-man production.



MIME ARTIST TRENT ARTERBERRY

School's Dept. Of Special Serv. Has Plan For Public Inspection

The Agawam School's Department of Special Services has completed the preliminary draft of the Local Education Agency Application and Annual Program Plan for Special Education. This draft is available to the public for review and comment until 3:00 p.m., Monday, December 8th, 1986 in the office of the Director of Special Services.

It will be presented to the school committee on Tuesday, December 9th, 1986, for review and final approval.

Planetarium Shows Offered In Time For Holiday Season

The Planetarium at the Springfield Science Museum is offering programs again after being closed for renovations to the building. The current feature show, *The Invisible Universe*, explores how sophisticated electronic "eyes" are revealing new facts about our universe.

Beginning December 6th, the planetarium will feature *Season of Light*, a new holiday show which explores the Star of Bethlehem. Some possible scientific explanations for the star are suggested without diminishing the mystery and beauty of the event. The program also investigates some of the ancient traditions of celebration surrounding the winter solstice, many of which have given rise to modern Christmas customs.

AHS Junior Classical League Initiation



THE AGAWAM HIGH JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE (Saturnalia) inducted Latin I students into the league recently. The league participates in Latin cultural activities and promotes an appreciation of the Roman culture. Back row, from left - Joe Kosinski, Chris Ollari, Tom McElroy, Barbara St. Onge, Alicia Corso, and John Corso. Front row - Melissa Martin, Michelle Blanchard, Kristin Stone, Chrisy Skiba, and Ann Marie Ceould, advisor. Missing from photo: Chris Walsh and Steve Jarvis. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Sports

Brownies Win, 21-0 All Turkey For West Side As AHS Rolls

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Sophomore quarterback John Serra scored one touchdown and spearheaded two others to lead the Agawam High football Brownies to a decisive, 21-0 Thanksgiving Day whitewash of archrival West Springfield High, before more than 4,000 fans at muddy and cold Clarke Field.

For the Brownies, it was their fourth consecutive win over West Side, and 42nd overall in the 62-year rivalry. Also, it was a nice way to end a rather frustrating season. The victory was the locals' second in the AA Conference, and third overall (3-6-1).

As for West Side, the loss was their eighth straight after a season-opening win over Amherst. The Terriers finished 0-7 in the conference, despite possessing one of the area's finest backs in Jamie Shankle, who led the AA Conference in scoring (14 touchdowns).

Agawam coach Joe Modzelewski, who remembers his days as a Brownie griddier playing vs. West Side, was pleased with his team's play. "Everyone contributed to this win. It's always nice to beat West Side. This was a fine way for us to end the season, and I feel good for the seniors. The guys really played their hearts out."

The obvious key to the Brownies victory was how they handled Shankle. With a swarming, gang-tackling defense, aided by the quagmire-like field, Shankle was shutdown for 61 yards on 18 carries. His longest run of the day was 18 yards.

Shankle, however, had a fine day on defense, and was in on many tackles for the home folks.

"We really keyed on him and our strategy paid off," said Modzelewski. "Shutting him down was our main concern. And what can I say about the defense? They were outstanding."

While the defense performed superbly, the offense, for the first time in what seemed forever, cashed-in on a few opportunities to put more than enough points on the board. Their lone first half score was all the Brownies needed, but two more TD's in the fourth period left no doubt who was the better team.

After trading turnovers, the Brownies first chance to put some points came midway through the opening period. With a strong ground attack, they drove to the Terriers 13. Facing a fourth-and-three situation, QB John Serra's pass fell incomplete and the drive was over.

Both defenses controlled play until the Brownies got on the board in the second stanza. With 7:46 left in the half, senior fullback Bob Altobelli, who has been used sparingly on offense lately, capped off a nifty, 64-yard drive with a 2-yard plunge up the middle for six points. Serra added the extra-point and the locals held a 7-0 advantage.

The Brownies sported a fine running attack during the trek, but it was the aerial route that was essential. Serra completed passes (twice) on third down situations to keep the march going.

Neither team sustained a solid drive the rest of the way until the Brownies achieved more paydirt in the fourth quarter.



A FIRED-UP GROUP OF AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL BROWNIES took the field before over 4,100 fans at Clarke Field in West Springfield to do battle vs. West Side High in the Annual Thanksgiving Day clash. The Brownies won for the fourth straight year, 21-0. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TWO WEST SPRINGFIELD DEFENDERS converge on a muddy Todd Godek (12) during first half action on Thanksgiving Day. The Brownies, with Godek rushing for 93 yards on 23 carries, dumped the Terriers, 21-0. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Midway through, the locals drove 63 yards on eight plays for their second TD. Serra climaxed the drive with a two-yard keeper on the left side. He added the extra-point and it was now 14-0 with 6:37 left.

One key play along the way was a 22-yard pass play from Serra to split end Jeff Peterson. Peterson made a great catch after briefly juggling the ball with a pair of Terrier defenders climbing all over his back.

The Brownies final TD on the drenched field came in the final few minutes. After blocking a Brian Gourley punt, the locals went in from 36-yards out to make the day complete.

Senior fullback Dan DeMatos chugged 10-yards into the endzone with 1:35 left and Serra added his third

extra-point of the day.

West Side's last chance to avoid the Brownies second shutout of the season was foiled when linebacker Tom King intercepted a pass off an option play from Shankle.

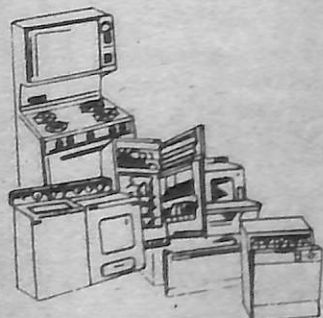
Spearheading the defense for the winners were Vinnie Pallotta, Jeff O'Keefe, Scott Mazza, Rob Longo, King, and Altobelli. Senior tailback Todd Godek rushed for 93 tough yards on 23 carries, while Serra hit 8-10 in the air, good for 62 yards.

The win gave the locals a commanding, 42-16-3 record over their rivals from across the river. West Side's last victory over the orange and brown was in 1982, 20-3.

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SENIOR FULLBACK DAVE DEMATOS throws a rather hefty forearm into a West Side defender during first half action on Thanksgiving Day. AHS prevailed, 21-0. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



BURLY FULLBACK BOB ALTOBELLI pounds into the endzone for the Brownies' first touchdown on Thanksgiving Day vs. West Side. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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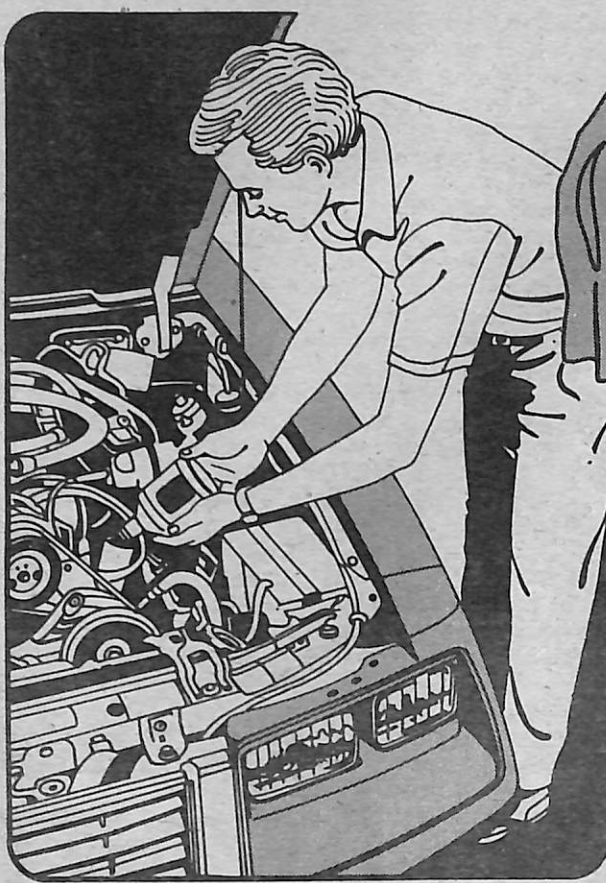
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Looking Back At Brownies' 1986 Grid Campaign

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

1986 will be remembered as the season where the Agawam High football Brownies reestablished themselves in the AA Conference. Despite a record of 3-6-1, the locals were in virtually every game, sported a sound defense, and were in a position to win four games they either lost or tied.

Still, the campaign was a disappointment to the coaches, players, and the fans, many of whom expected at least a fifty-fifty season, the first since that marvelous 1981 season of 8-1-1.

Here's a game-by-game recollection and comment of the 1986 football Brownies:

SEPTEMBER 20TH AT LUDLOW - 20-6 (win)

The Brownies had one of their best opening days since 1981 as they rolled to a 22-6 win over Ludlow at Whitney Park on a cool and gray September Saturday.

Junior wide-out Jim Lockwood was the spark on offense. He caught passes from quarterback Tom Cascio totaling 68 yards, including two touchdown pass. He also returned a punt 80 yards for a TD. Cascio completed 7-10 in the air.

Although the locals fumbled the ball three times, the defense compensated by playing superbly. They stopped Ludlow's fine Jim Parker, a premiere tailback, for only 28 yards.

The first score of the season was by sophomore kicker John Serra on a 25-yard field goal.

SEPTEMBER 28TH AT EAST LONG - 14-14

This game marked the coaching clash of brothers Joe and Ed Modzelewski. Fittingly, but not without tons of anxiety, the game ended in a 14-14 tie on a sunny Sunday afternoon.

The Brownies controlled the first half and the Spartans had the second. The one will be remembered as the game where the Brownie defense stopped EL from scoring on several occasions in the fourth quarter.

EL took a 7-0 lead with an impressive opening drive, but Todd Godek cut it to 7-6 with a 55-yard punt return. Bob Altobelli then scored on a 1-yard run, followed by an important two-point conversion, making it 14-7, Brownies.

The only second half tally was scored by EL on a Joe

Van Valkenberg TD run. The Brownies turned the ball over repeatedly in the second half, giving EL plenty of chances to score the winner. However, that defense was immense.

OCTOBER 5TH AT LONGMEADOW - 14-7 (Loss)

This was the first in a series of heartbreaking losses for the Brownies as they dropped a 14-7 decision to defending Division I Super Bowl champion Longmeadow.

The game featured two fine rushing performances, one by each team. For the locals, senior fullback Bob Altobelli had his best day of his career by pounding out 120 tough yards on 18 carries. Longmeadow's Chris Pahl totaled 137 yards on 13 carries.

It was Pahl who put the Lancers up, 7-0, in the second quarter on a 62-yard TD run. The Brownies tied it minutes later on Altobelli's one-yard plunge to climax a 60-yard drive.

The deciding TD was QB Kevin Cardinals pass to Dennis Murphy for the 14-7 edge. Late in the fourth quarter, the Brownies had the ball on the Lancer 1, but a five-yard penalty put the ball back to the 5. The Brownie drive stalled there.

OCTOBER 11TH VS. CATHEDRAL - 22-6 (loss)

Agawam opened their home schedule with a disappointing, 22-6 loss to a Cathedral team that would go on to rule the AA Conference, and have a date in the Division I Super Bowl against surprising Northampton. The loss came in front of one of the largest opening-day crowds at Harmon Smith Field in years.

The Panthers used three big plays to post the win (all touchdowns). In the first quarter, Kevin Lemke returned a punt 70 yards for a TD and an 8-0 lead (after a two-point conversion). In the second quarter, QB John Zancan hit Joe Gabinetti for a 27-yard TD pass and a 15-0 halftime lead.

The visitors made it 22-0 as Lemke hit Jim Gabinetti for a 33-yard strike on a sweet option pass. The locals' lone score came on a Tom

Cascio TD run in the last quarter.

The Brownies were held to just 175 yards total offense against a strong Panther defense.

OCTOBER 18TH - VS. WESTFIELD - 21-0 (win)

This game was easily the highlight of the 1986 season as the Brownies shocked the pre-season Super Bowl pick, who came into this one undefeated. The 21-0 score was certainly no fluke before a stunned but elated gathering at Harmon Smith Field.

The victory was the biggest AA Conference upset of the year, and it will go down as one of the school's biggest upsets ever. It also marked the first start by sophomore quarterback John Serra.

The locals took a 7-0 lead on Todd Godek's 31-yard TD run in the first quarter. The lead reached 14-0 in the second stanza on a Bob Altobelli 1-yard plunge to climax an 80-yard drive.

The final TD, the one that really clinched it, came in the fourth quarter. Serra hit senior tightend John Capuccilli with an 8-yard pass, and it was all over at 21-0.

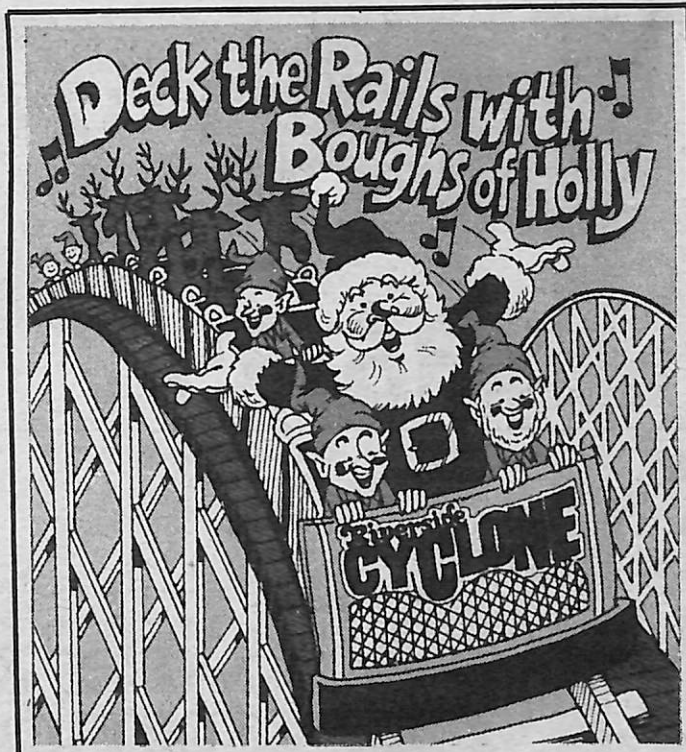
Godek had 91 yards on 17 carries, while Serra played with a veteran's poise. But this game belonged to the defense.

The locals stopped Westfield in key situations and had all the big plays, including self-destructive turnovers by the visitors. Tom King intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble to lead the way. This one was an emotional victory all the way.

OCTOBER 25TH VS. CENTRAL HIGH - 24-14 (loss)

After a wild first half, Central's defense assumed control in the second to take a 24-14 victory before a disappointed crowd at Harmon Smith Field.

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AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL BOOSTER CLUB MEMBERS Bill Mezzetti (left) and Lambert Ollari were key figures in the kitchen during the club's Annual Thanksgiving Day breakfast at the high school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE O'KEEFE COUSINS, Shannon (left) and Maureen weren't sure if they enjoyed getting up for breakfast on a day-off from school (Thanksgiving Day), but both young ladies managed to attend the Booster Club Breakfast prior to the Agawam-West Side football game. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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At the conclusion of the first half, it was 21-14, Central. Central's scores came on three Brian Morin TD strikes to the elusive Clarence Dickie, while Agawam's tallies were a Tom Cascio option pass to Jim Lockwood for 52-yards, and a Serra toss to Godek for 28-yards (a spectacular grab by Godek).

The second half was all defense, particularly by Central. They held the Brownies to only one first down and four net yards. The only second half score was an Umberto LoChiatto field goal.

Godek has his best game of the season, 130 yards on 23 carries. He was shutdown, however, in the second

half. Junior Chris Ollari had two interceptions on defense. Central was just too quick for the Brownies.

NOVEMBER 1ST AT HOLYOKE - 7-6 (loss)

This one saw the Brownies having to swallow one of their bitterest defeats of the season as they dropped a 7-6 AA Conference clash to Holyoke High at sunny and cool Archie Roberts Field.

The game also marked a string of 3½ games (beginning with the second half vs. Central) where the lack of offense and mistakes by the Brownies placed tremendous pressure on the defense to produce.

Turnovers (five of them) followed the Brownies throughout this game. The loss put AHS at 2-4-1 on the year.

The only first half score came on a three-yard run by Mark Lubold of Holyoke. It came after the Purple Knights had mounted a 95-yard surge up the field.

Both defenses dominated in the second half until the Brownies got on the board late in the game. The locals marched 70 yards, and QB John Serra capped the dramatic drive with a five-yard keeper with a minute left.

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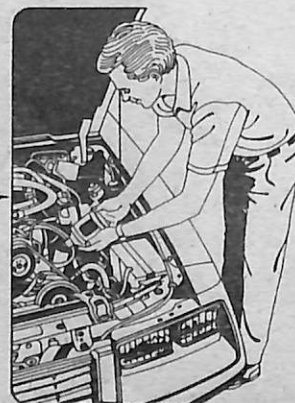
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Sportsman's Corner by Bill Chiba Outdoor Sports Writer

Gun Season On Deer Opens

Opening of the gun season on deer was a beauty. It was cold (with no wind), and the sky remained blue for the entire day.

Leon Pease (from West Springfield) and I met at Southwick's Salmon Brook Restaurant at 4:30 a.m. The restaurant was packed with hunters looking for breakfast. We decided to hunt in Southwick the first day. Leon was going to go into his stand on the west side of a small mountain, and I chose the east side. The plan was that if either of us "scared-out" deer on the way into our stands, one of us might get a shot at a buck. As it worked out, neither of us could have shot. It was too dark and I had to use my flashlight on the way in.

I reached my stand and set-in for a long wait. I had chosen an area with three buck runs through it, as well as buck scrapings under several trees. It looked real hot and I was confident that I would take a deer first thing in the morning. It was not to be.

As the dawn came, the trees became distinct in the gray light. Suddenly, a shot ran out to my right, not more than 100 yards from me. A few minutes went by and I heard a low whistle. Everything was quiet for at least 15 minutes, then another shot rang out in the same vicinity as the first. I thought that was strange and pondered the situation for about another 15 minutes.

I couldn't stand it any longer and slowly made my way towards where the shots were made. I came upon Al Goefert and his brother. Al was dressing out a beautiful eight-point buck. A single shot through the heart did the trick. "You walked by us this morning with your flashlight," Al said. "We were on our stands."

Their stands were located just off one of the runs I was staking out. "While we were dressing out this buck, a larger one walked by feeding down in that gully. I took a shot at it but the slug hit a small tree," volunteered the older Goefert. The deer they bagged was very heavy. I attempted to lift the front end of the buck by the antlers. It was difficult.

Later, Leon and I met-up and then split, going in opposite directions. He had a doctor's appointment in the early afternoon. On my way back to the car, I met Jeff Crouse and we swapped stories for a bit. He had not seen a deer on the hoof. There were plenty of hunters in the area, and yet only one deer was taken when I left at 2:00 p.m. There's nine more days to go. Maybe my luck will change.

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CU Opens Round 2 On Top In Tri-Parish Bowl

Catholic University served notice to Round One runners-up Boston College that Round Two will be a titanic struggle after sweeping BC four straight to open the second round of rolling in the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League.

CU (1st place-4 wins), a team that quietly moved into the first division in Round One, were led by VENETA SNYDER (293), MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN (261), ERNIE BLAIR (295), and captain JIM SNYDER (376). Snyder swamped BC captain JOHN O'CONNELL (305), who rolled like a novice. O'Connell, by the way, is the Class AAA scoring leader (113.30 average).

Another team that started off the round quickly, Fordham (2nd place-4 wins), blasted staggering Georgetown, last year's Grand Champions, four wins to none.

Fordham, a team that was deep in the hole in Round One (just above last place G-Town), was led by RON PROVOST (273), TONY DEPALO (fresh from a Florida vacation-299), and former Agawam High football star PAUL DEZIELLE (325), the Class AA scoring leader (105.11 average). The only G-Town winner was captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO (334). Moccio, however, was angry at his team's loss. Fordham captain ANN O'CONNELL held her own vs. "The Fearsome One" with a 311.

St. Michael, a team on an endless roller coaster in the Tri-Parish League, again are on the downswing after absorbing a four-game whipping to Villanova (3rd place-4 wins).

Villanova ended Round One on a sound note (3rd place) and were led on Week One of Round Two by

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The locals went for the win on a two-point conversion. Serra's pass into the corner of the endzone floated over the outstretched fingertips of John Cappuccilli. The Knights had survived and the Brownies returned down 1-91 with a tough loss.

NOVEMBER 10TH AT CHICOPEE COMP - 7-6 (loss)

For the second consecutive week, the locals suffered a 7-6 defeat, this time at the hands of Chicopee Comp on a Monday afternoon (rain forced postponements).

Again, it was the Brownie defense that kept this one close, but the locals fell well short on offense. It was another bitter pill.

Comp pulled-out to a 7-0 lead with 7:50 left in the opening quarter on QB Matt Lunardini's 1-yard keeper. The Brownies then fought right back with a 70-yard drive, highlighted by Bob Altobelli's 1-yard TD. However, Serra's extra-point was blocked, and it proved to be the difference.

The defenses dominated the rest of the game. Serra tried a 42-yard field goal late in the first half, but it fell short. The only other Brownie threat came late on another Serra field goal try. This kick sailed wide left from 34 yards out with a minute left.

NOVEMBER 15TH VS. MINNECHAUG - 12-0 (loss)

The Brownies played their final home game of the season on a raw, cold, damp, and miserable day at Harmon Smith Field. It was their worst effort of the year. The Falcons used a bruising running game to maintain ball control while the locals couldn't muster a thing on offense.

There really wasn't much to talk about after this game. For Minnechaug, sophomore Jim Thompson

newcomer DEBBIE GEORGE'S superb lead-off tally of 320. Other Villanova winners included CHERYL PREZESLO (276), FRANK "The Lordly Barber" RESCIGNO (a poor 278 score but his teammates were carrying the slack), and anchorwoman RENEE JURY (324). Poor St. Mike's captain, MIKE O'CONNELL, should have stayed home with a terrible 270 in the anchor slot.

St. Mary's (4th place-3 wins), another team on the rise, took St. Louis over the hurdles (9th place-1 win), three wins to one. St. Mary's winners were LORI JURY (daughter of Renee, 298) and Rookie of the Year candidate, STEVE KAJKA (332). St. Mary's fine captain, FRED MORASSI, hit a 305 to defeat St. Lou captain DEBBIE POIRIER (288), who had an off night.

St. Anselm (5th place-2 wins) and Notre Dame (6th place-2 wins) split with two wins each. St. A's winners were JOE CURRAN (278), former Agawam High basketball bruiser, RAY BARBIERI (317), and captain VI MASSOIA (304). The only ND winner was a big one, however. Newcomer George Lane, the Class A scoring leader (103.6) fired a solid 338. ND captain JOHN RESCIGNO could only muster a 288 in an intense battle vs. Vi Massoia.

And what about Round One champion Loyola? They split with Holy Cross (8th place-2 wins), two wins each. Loyola winners were GAIL BLAIR (a solid 293), JEAN BUONICONTI (287), and captain STEVE ROVITHIS (315). HC captain STU STORK, who went wild at times with his rolling in Round One, could only muster a mild 305 in an off-night for the overall league scoring leader (117.17 average). The only HC winner was JOHN MLINEK (287).

dominated. He rushed for 119 yards and a touchdown, and intercepted two Serra passes on defense.

The two Falcons TD's were scored on a Todd Bennett to Manuel Bernardo pass (first half), and Thompson's 2-yard run in the second half.

NOVEMBER 27TH AT WEST SIDE - 21-0 (win)

In the annual Thanksgiving Day clash, the Brownies played an fine football game in posting a 21-0 whitewash of their archrivals before 4,000 fans at Clarke Field.

Scoring for the locals were Bob Altobelli, 2-yard plunge; Serra, 2-yard keeper; and Dan DeMatos, 10-yard run late in the game.

The big story was also the Brownies defense. They were outstanding and held West Side's Jamie Shankle to only 61 yards on 18 carries on the muddy field.

It finished-off a tough year for the Brownies, but it left the players in good spirits to finish-off the campaign with a victory over their rivals.

To say the 1986 football season at AHS was a success in the minds of those involved, coaches, players, and fans, would be untrue. Still, the rebuilding process of the AHS football program did progress in a positive way. On defense, the locals proved to be right up there with the best in the conference: the offense was not.

As anyone who knows football will attest, a good defense is always the basis for building a program; it will keep a team in the game. That was most evident this year. If the comes can improve in 1987, the Brownies will continue to move up the ladder.

And certainly, the Brownies earned the respect of their opponents - all of them. That's something that has also been missing in recent years, and is equally important to this rebuilding program.

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GEORGE LOCKE - From Page 10...

We had come to realize that there was indeed a George Lock(e) who resided in Agawam; a man who had worked for the Harvey Porter farm; a man whom no one could say a single negative word against; and who passed on to a greater reward in 1945.

Yet, among this gathering of facts, we became more aware of the possibility of two George Lock(e)s having lived a dual existence; or there were two such men of like name, living in our town at about the same period of time!

GEORGE LOCK(E) OR GEORGE LOCKS? (FIRST RESPONSE)

Our first response to the article on George Lock(e) came from a telephone call via Westfield from Mr. Louis Tetreault. His family had at one time resided in the house that is presently the Carpet Shed on the corner of South and Main Street, near Riverside Park.

According to Mr. Tetreault, he remembered George Lock(e) as a very quiet gentleman, short in stature, very gentle, and never abusive to anyone.

Indeed, this sounds very much like the original George Lock(e) to whom we were initially introduced! Mr. Tetreault further stated that George did indeed live with Harvey Porter, and often walked so straight as if a board was strapped to his back.

"He wore a denim jacket as shown in the photograph, walked barefoot, was slow-moving, and often walked in front of a team of oxen along Main/South Street. He usually carried a whip.

Mr. Tetreault questions one item, with the original article having to do with what appears to be a gun in George's hand as portrayed in the AAN photograph.

After a closer examination of the picture, we must still conclude that the object in question is definitely a gun, and not a whip, as claimed by Mr. Tetreault.

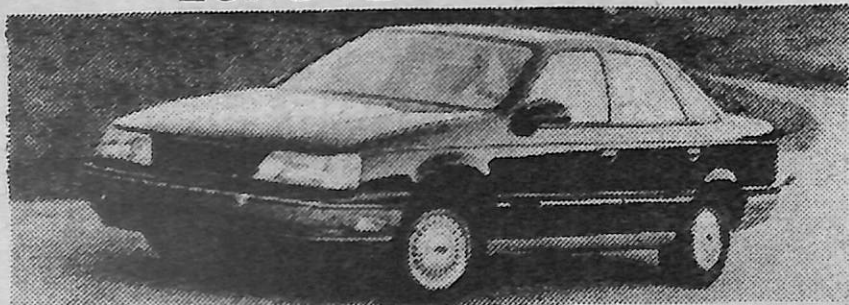
Still, we must admit that according to our initial introduction to George, it would be easy to assume that this quiet man of character would have had little to do with firearms! Did Dr. I.I. Chamberlain photograph Lock(e) with a gun-in-hand, simply as a means of exaggerating the character of the man portrayed?

in old Agawam is a regular feature of *The Advertiser News*. Don't miss next week's article as local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry further investigate mystery man George Lock(e). The Currys welcome any questions or comments you might have on columns.



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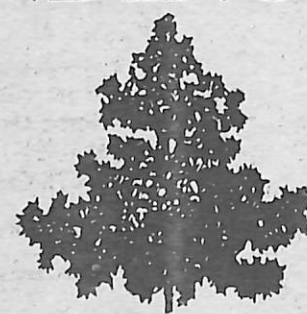
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